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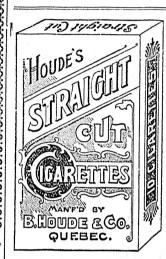
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By Associated Press. A. W. MURE & Co.,

Manila, Jan. 26 .- A despatch from Sorsegon, dated Thursday, January 25,

"Brig. General Kobbe's expedition has occupied Sorsegon, Donsol, Bulan, Logaspi and Virac, on Catanduanos Island. The only resistance was at Logaspi, where five Americans were wounded, and found.

bales of hemp in these provinces and 76,-000 bales in the ports of Sorsegon and Logaspi. The United States gunboat Doubles in the ports of Sorsegon and Logaspi. The United States gunboat Nashville's shrapnel burned 80,000 bales in Logaspi. The expedition arrived off Sorsegon January 20, and the town displayed white flags. General Kobbe and Colonel Howe, with a battalion of the 47th Infantry landed and raised the United States flag. The insurgents' force, number 300 men, evacuated the place. The natives were passive. During the morning of January 23 the Nashville and Venus, with four companies of the 47th Regiment, under Major Shipton, approached Logaspi. Filipino flags were flying and the trenches were crowded. A detachment of 150 men picked and led by Major Shipton landed on the beach about a mile north of the town. Then the Nashville bombarded the trenches and the enemy retreated to Albay, whence they were easily dispersed to thwe hills. About 200 insurgents, armed with rifless forced 600 unwilling villagers, armed with bows and arrows, to serve in the trenches. The Filipino dead were mostly villagers.

Lieut.-Col. Hayes has defeated an entrenched force of the enemy at Sariaga. One American was killed and five were wounded.

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British Thought Way Would Be Oper When They Occupied Spion Kop.

Vancouver, Jan. 26.—Dr. Fagan, provincial health officer, started for the border towns early this morning. Before leaving Vancouver he said: "I propose to establish a strict quarantine all along the border dividing British Columbia and the sarte of Washington. Smallpox is very widespread in Washington state, and owing to its very mild form is dangerously insinuating. For as it is not recognized as smallpox in many cases, the patient walks the street ailing from a disease that the doctors have called by another name, but which is nevertheless smallpox, and an epidemic of a serious nature is as likely to develop from these cases travelling incog as if the victim bore the marks of the louthsome disease in a manner that all might see."

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When They Occupied Spion Kop.

London, Jan, 25.—The Times publishes this morning the following despatch from Free Camp, dated Wednesday morning and wind the sease in Spokane of Spion Kop was known. After destinate the origin of the disease in Spokane cannot be traced. There have been in all 45 cases. The first death occurred on March 3 last, and since then there have been cases developing at intervals. In Vancouver strict precautions are being taken. The steamer North Pacific was yesterday held up in the stream by the health inspector, and the passengers not allowed to land until inspected.

When They Occupied Spion Kop.

London, Jan, 25.—The Times publishes this publishes this morning the following despatch from Free Camp, dated Wednesday morning and evidently written before the capture of Spion Kop.

A THEATRE'S FINANCES.

Paris, Jan, 26.—As a result of charges brought by, shareholders of the Columbia theatr against Bolossy Kirally, the latter have been seized at his home. They forward, the correspondent, says; and the passengers will have to try to break in the middle. Every prisoner says the Boer will never being taken. The steamer North Pacific was yesterday held up in the stream by the health inspector, and the passengers not allowed to land until inspected.

Buller's Free Criticism

Caustic Comment on Failure of Officers to Follow Instructions.

Scouting Might Prevent Men From Blundering Into Midst of Enemy.

Disaster at Tugela Followed Disregard of His Orders to Artillery.

London, Jan. 25 .- The Gazette to-day publishes a number of despatches from General Buller to the war office, enclose yard, Methuen and other Generals regarding the various operations, but containing nothing later than the record o occurrences to the middle of December. WITHDRAWAL FROM GLENCOE.

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A despatch from General White dated November 2, says: "I was so greatly impressed with the exposed position of the garrison at Glencoe that I determined on October 11, to withdraw from there and concentrate all the troops at Ladysmith, but the Governor represented that this step would involve such grave political results that I determined to accept the military risk of holding Dundee a the lesser of two evils."

General White then proceeds to describe the subsequent attack of 4,000 Boers, of whom about 500 were killed or wounded, three of their gans being iert dismounted at Talana Hill, but he adds, there was no hope of bringing off. He describes how the Boers were seen streaming away in bodies of from 50 to 100 which the British artillery could have inflicted great loss, but the Boers displayed a white flag and the British refrained from firing.

WHITE FLAG TREACHERY.

WHITE FLAG TREACHERY. After describing the desperate fighting at Elandshangte, culminating in the bitter protracted fighting before the capture of the Boers' final position, the General

of the Boers' final position, the General continues:

At length the guns reached us and the captured end of the ridge was gained, from which the whole of the enemy's camp full of tents and horsemen was fully exposed to view at a fixed range. The white flag was then shown in the centre of the camp. Colonel Hamilton or development of the camp. Colonel Hamilton or a few moments there was a complete hull, then a shot was heard, followed by a deadly fire from a nearby kopje. The British momentarily fell back, but charged and recaptured the position." General Methuen reports similar white-flag incidents.

NEGLECT OF SCOUTING.

Gen. Buller, commenting on the action at Zoutpan's Drift, December 13. says "I suppose the British officers will learn the value of scouting in time, but in spite of all one can say our men seem to blunder into the middle of the enemy."

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Describing the battle of Colenso, Gen. Buller, under date of December 17, says: "When I heard of the disaster to Long's artillery, I believed the six naval guns had shared the same fate, and I decided immediately that it was impossible to force the passage without guns. Long was dangerously wounded, and I was unable to obtain explanations.

"I had personally instructed him where to go into action, and with the naval guns only, but Long advanced so fast that he left the infantry escort and naval brigade behind. I believe that but for the failure of the artillery we would have carried the crossing."

Gen. Buller recommended the Victoria Cross for Captains Congree and Reid, Lieut, Roberts and Corp. Nurse, all in connection with the attempts to save the guns.

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Gen. Methuen. in a despatch dated December 11 with reference to the battle of Modder River, confesses that he believed the force in his front was only fighting a retiring action. He had no idea that the 10,000 Boers had been brought from Spytfontein to oppose his advance. THE GENERAL CRITICIZED.

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The Times says: "The natural disquictude of the public is increased by the singular vagueness and inconsistency of Gen. Buller's despatches. There is indeed a very singular and somewhat disquicting attitude of detachment in Gen. Buller's comments as revealed in the Gazette's despatches. For instance, his comment as to the action at Zoutan's Drift, his remark concerning the probability that British officers would in time learn the value of scouting, night time learn the value of scouting, night tray attache, but it is rather more than surprising that it should be thrown out in this casual irresponsible fashion by the head of the forces concerning his subordinates, a week or two, moreover, after the loss of the guns on the Tugela."

DOWAGER DUCHESS'S FUNERAL

Berlin, Jan. 26.—The funueral of the Downger Duchess of Schleswig-Holstein, mother of the Empress of Germany, will take place Sunuday at Primkenau, a town of Silesia, in the Liegentz district.

WHAT BLOCKS THE OFFER

Suggestion That Ottawa is Yet in Cor respondence With the WarOffice.

Oltawa, Jan. 26.-Another day has

From Our Own Correspondent.

assed without relief for the natural impatience of the people of British Colum bia at not receiving a definite answer re-specting the acceptance of their offer of a hundred men for Africa. Premier Semlin telegraphed Dr. Borden to-day asking the cause of delay. The Minister replied that he was not yet in a position to give a definite answer. It is believed here that the government is awaiting fur ther advices from the war office.

TO STAKE THE BOUNDARY. International Commissioners Soon

Visit Skagway For That Purpose.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, Jan. 26.—King and Tittmann Canadian and American commissioners to determine the provisional Alaskar boundary, have concluded their prelim inary conferences. They proceed to Skagway early in May to mark the boundary on the ground.

Hundreds Killed In the Trenches

Boers About Ladysmith Too Hard Pressed to Conceal Their Losses.

White's Ghastly Present to Jou bert -- Deadly Work of Buller's Artillery.

By Associated Press.

London, Jan. 26 .- The Morning Pos n a second edition to-day prints a des patch from it's correspondent at Spear-man's Camp, dated Jan. 23, which says: "There was heavy firing at Ladysmith yesterday. General White is attacking

and making a diversion.
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"After the Boer assault, Gen. White sent to commandant General Joubert for interment of 70 dead Boers killed in the British trenches."

The correspondent describes the operations from January 17 to January 23, and greatly praises the pluck, devotion and cheerfulness of the soldiers. He says that General Warren's guns fired 3,000 shells on January 20. His left on January 21 moved up Bastion Hill, which opens a cleft in the enemy's lines. The object is no longer to turn the Boer right, but by introducing a wedge of infantry into the cleft to split the right from the centre. The gap was wideuded during the day and General Warren's right completed the capture of whole edges of plateaus and occupied the first line of Boer trenches, where he found about 200 who had been killed by the shell fire.

The correspondent foreshadows Tuesday's attack on Spion Kop and declares that there is absolute confidence and determination throughout the army. No anxiety, he says, is felt concerning the result.

DEAD IN THE TRENCHES. London, Jan. 26.—Special despatches from Durham say the Boer losses on the Upper Tugela during the fighting og Sunday last were very great. They add that General Warren's men captured one hundred and sixty prisoners, and that 130 Boers were found dead in one trench.

LADYSMITH SECURE.

THE USUAL BOER STORY. Pretoria, Jan. 21.—A body of 200 Lancers made a sortic from Ladysmith under cover of a heavy cannon and rifle fire from the forts opposite the langer of the Pretoria command. The British retired with evident loss. One Boer was wounded. A heavy cannonade started at 2.30 this morning and still continues.

Spion Kop **Abandoned**

Unwelcome News Greeted General Buller When He Woke Thursday Morning.

Absence of Details in Curt Announcement Gives Rise to Uneasy Speculation.

Evidently Way to Ladysmith Must Be Won by Hardly Fought Degrees.

By Associated Press.

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Camp, Thursday, Jan. 25, noon.—General Warren's garrison, I am sorry to say, I find this morning, had in the night abandoned Spion Kop."

When the newsboys bearing big placards, containing the words "Spion Kop abandoned," appeared in the streets, the people rushed to buy the papers and from cabnen on top of hansoms to business men hnrrying citywards, all could be seen scanning the news with expressions of disappointment, and the rapidity with which what was accepted as bad news travelled was remarkable. A few minutes before eleven o'clock this morning, the dingy war office had a deserted appearance, only a few reporters and messengers being visible about the building. A few minutes later, however, and almost simultaneously with the posting of General Buller's despatch, carriages and cabs came rolling up, and people with anxious faces hastened to the notice boards and crowded the lobbies. "Forced back," "Shelled out I suppose," and similar expressions were heard on all sides.

The afternoon papers only briefly comment on the situation, preferring to await fuller particulars. The St. James' Gazette says: "We are only at the beginning." The Westminster Gazette suggests that the abandonment of Spion Kop need not mean more than that a miscalculation was made regarding the value of the Kop. The Pall Mall Gazette expects that the advice will "again continue as it began, with a series of rushes, a kopie taken here, half a mile gained thère, and that we shall have, in short, to fight our way to the rescue by hardly won degrees. Ladysmith, nevertheless, will be saved."

The Globe says it is assured "that the country will face the situation calmly and bravely with a firm determination to press forward unflinchingly in spite of all obstacles."

London, Jan. 27.—(4 a. m.)—The morning papers editorially advise coolness and judgment and a careful avoidance of over-estimating the importance of the lost position.

The Times says: "The consequences of this latest check may be very serious to the gallant Ladysmith garrison. It is is impossible to estimate the next movement. It may be that Gen. Buller will be compelled to retire from the ground he lately won, but in any event we may be sure that the British people will not show themselves wanting in fortitude and steadiness.

"The government would be well advised to call out all the militia and to expedite the despatch of the Eighth division and of the fourth cavalry brigade. No doubt Lord Roberts will strain every nerve to enable Gen. Buller to renew the attempt to relieve Ladysmith.

The military critic of the Times, discussing various possible explanations, dwells strongly on "the terrible drawback to British generals involved in the absence of maps of this tangled hill country."

The Standard, which thinks still more

LADYSMITH SECURE.

Ladysmith, Jan. 21—(By runner via Frere Camp, Jan. 24).—The garrison is watching General Buller's guns shelling the Boers. Their fire can be seen at this distance and appears to be very effective. The movements of the Boers show that they are evidently determined ta stubbornly oppose the advance of the relief column. They show no signs of removing their guns and have mounted new ones and are continually strengthening their fortifications.

Our fortifications have been greatly strengthened since January 6, and Ladysmith is now practically impregnable.

Owing to the dry weather, the fever his diminished and the number of convaluscents returned from Intombi camp exceeds that of the patients being sent there.

The supplies are spinning out splendidly, all the troops having sufficient wholesome food. The heat is terrific, the thermometer registering 107 degrees in this shade.

THE USUAL BOER STORY. absence of maps of this tangled hill country."

The Standard, which thinks still more troops will be required, and which comments upon the "astonishing manner in which South Africa swallows up troops wholesale without any appreciable result," goes on to refer to the Continental jubilation and to the predictions regarding Gen. Buller's check. It says: "It is humiliating to find that the Natulerrane has been more accurately studied in Berlin than at our own headquarters on the Tugela."

Montreal, Jan. 26.— (Special) — The statement is made that as the result of Father Youman's mission at St. Patrick's church a number of Protestants have been converted. Inquiry in the church elicited the fact that Youman has baptized nine or ten Protestants into the Catholic faith since the mission started.

PATRON BACKING OUT.

Winnipeg, Jan. 26.—It is reported that Gavin Ross, the Patron candidate nomi-nated to oppose Hon. William McFad-den in Emerson, has retired.



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Thousands More For Buller

Should Have Reinforcements **Sufficient to Make Victory** Sure and Speedy.

Recent Arrivals at Capetown at Roberts' Disposal For This Purpose.

London, Jan. 27, 4 a.m.-Seven days of fighting have left the main Boer posi-tion intact and General Buller's army 706 men weaker, according to the official casualty lists, which seemingly do not include the Spion Kop losses, as these last forwarded do not mention General Woodgate's wounding.

England is oppressed by a depressing sense of failures, although not a word in criticism of her generals and soldiers in criticism of her generals and soldiers Smallpox Makes is uttered. Not much effort is made to

is uttered. Not much effort is made to place a happy construction upon General Buller's bare 18 words telling of his retirement from Spion Kop and there is an uneasy impression abroad regarding the news yet to come.

Mr. Spencer Wilkinson, in the Morning Post, writes as follows of the Spion Kop loss. "This is a serious matter and an attempt will not be made to minimize it, for no greater wrong can be done to our people at home than to mislead them about the significance of the events of the war. The right way is to tell the truth as far as we know it."

But facts from the neighborhood of the Tugela are scantier than ever. The cen-

But facts from the neighborhood of the Tugela are scantier than ever. The censorship now is simply prohibitive, and something is wrong with the cables. The break on the East Coast lines has been repaired, but the cable between San Thomo and Londa on the West Coast is now interrupted.

"More troops," is the only suggestion here as the way to break the Boer resistance. Mr. Wilkinson regrets that General Buller has not 20,000 additional men, declaring that if they would not make victory certain his enterprise without them is hopeless.

The Spectator dealing with the neces-

The Spectator dealing with the necessity of large additional military preparations says: "It may be that we have yet another cycle of disasters in front of us."

The Daily News referring to the rest." ance and what may be necessary to over-come, alludes to a saying of Napoleon, that no position could resist 300,000

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The transport Assaye arrived at Capetown last Friday with 2,137 officers and men. The first portion of the Seventh division is afloat, hence with the 10,000 men of this division and about 9,000 others now at sea it lies in the power of Lord Roberts to reinforce General Bulder heavily. This course is advised by several military writers. Although England's nerves are severely tried, her nerve is aboslutely unshaken and probably nothing that can happen in South Africa will change in the slightest degree her intentions. She will continue to receive bad news, if it comes, with dignity and will maintain her determination to win at last.

GERMAN MAILS RETURNED.

Berlain, Jan. 26.—The latest news from South Africa is interpreted as a signal defeat for the British. The Bentsche Tageblatt Zeitung calls the British position there "another step into the mousetrap."

The last German direct mails to the Transvaal, are now being returned from Capetown without any explanation on the part of the British authorities. The man press comments upon the fact h considerable heat.

Defended on Ground That Boer Mobility Too Easily Outwits Flanking.

ondon, Jan. 27 .- The position of the British armies in Cape Colony is practieally unchanged. . .

Lord Methuen forwards by mail the Lord Methuen forwards by mail the first official recognition of Boer valor and military art. He calls their tactics and their courage "indisputable."

Defending frontal attacks, Lord Methuen says: "The mobility of the Boers is such that they can change front in fifteen minutes, so that a flanking operation, when striking home, simply meets a new front."

BULLER'S CASUALTIES.

London, Jan. 26.—General Buller reports that the British casualties on January 24 were: Killed—Officers, 6; noncommissioned officers and men. 18. Wounded—Officers, 12; non-commissioned officers and men, 142. Missing, 31 men.

men.
The killed include Col. Buchanan Riddell, of the King's Royal Rifles. He served in the Niger war of 1881.
It was not clear whether the casualties include those at Spion Kop, or only those resulting from the fighting prior to the Spion Kop engagement.

LEYDS COURTING FRANCE.

"Dr Leyds was a guest at President Loubet's banquet on Thursday, where in consequence the British ambassador did not appear. M. Deleasse conversed some time with him, and it is believed that he has since received him at the Quai d'Orsay. Our Paris correspondent, however, assures us that the French government is determined to preserve neutrality."

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raris, Jan. 24.—The morning papers comment on the absence of the British ambassador. Sir Edmund J. Monson from President Loubet's diplomatic dinner Thursday, evening, at which Dr. Leyds was present. The Echo de Paris says: "His absence was the cause of much remark."

ANOTHER CANADIAN KILLED. Graduate of the Military College and Officer of Scottish Rifles.

Officer of Scottish Rifles.

Toronto, Jan. 26—(Special)—J. K. Osborne, of the Massey-Harris Company, received to-day a cablegram from the war office stating that his son, Lieut, J. W. Osborne, of the Scottish Rifles. (Cameronians) had been killed in action in Tugela district January 24:
Lieut. John Woodburn Osborne was the eldest son of Mr. J. K. Osborne, and was born in Brantford June 25, 1873. In 1891 he entered the Royal Military College, graduating in 1895. The same year he received a commission in the Scottish Rifles and since has been stationed at Parkhurst, Isle of Wight, Aldershot and Glasgow. He was assistant adjutant of his regiment. Last fall he was appointed A. D. C. to Sir John Woodburn. Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal. He came to Toronto and spent a few weeks with his parents. While here he learned that his regiment had been ordered to South Africa. He immediately resigned his appointment and proceeded to South Africa, reaching Capetown in November. Since that time he had been with Gen. Buller's command. Only to-day Mr. Osborne received two letters from his son, written after the battle of Colenso.

Travel Light

Only One-Third Usual Traffic Crossing Line to Points in Kootenay.

Mails Held at Northport Lack. ing Means for Fumigating as Ordered.

Rossland, Jan. 26.—To-day only 15 passengers arrived on the Red Mountain train from the south. The average number has been hitherto 45, and this smallpox is lessening passenger traffic. There is a deadlock on at Northport

There is a deadlock on at Northport. Provincial Health Offleer Lebau to-day telegraphed to Perry Wright to stop all the mail except that, which only passed through the infected districts. In accordance with instructions 151. Wright asked that the mail at Northport be fumigated. He was told that there was no one there to do it, and that no one had authority there to open the mail sacks, as the railway mail clerk had returned to Spokane. Mr. Wright had no means of securing the mails in accordance with the instructions he held, and as a consequence there was no mail received from the south this evening except a few letters from Sheep Creek, which is on this side of the line.

E. W. Ruff, the agent of the Red Mountain railway, telegraphed to Northport regarding the mail this evening, and received a reply that the mail was being held for the purpose of fumigation, and it was not known when the deadlock at Northport would be broken. It will take two or three men to fumigate the mail, as it has to be taken out of the sacks and the packages separated in order that the operation may be of-

It will take two or three men to fumigate the mail, as it has to be taken out of the sacks and the packages separated in order that the operation may be effectively done. The Americans think that the Canadian health officer should do this, and the latter think that the task should be performed by the Americans. It was suggested by Mayor Goodeve that the mail be brought here in sacks and that a fumigating tank large enough to hold a sack be constructed, and that in this way the letters could be rendered innocuous in case they contained anything of a contagious

ature. It is understood here that Superintend and Edward and Supermitten-ent Elwell, the chief clerk of the United States Northwest mail service, has tele-graphed to Washington, and the matter will therefore be brought to the atten-tion of the postal authorities at Ottawa and Washington.

SECOND CONTINGENT SAILING

Inspecting Officers at Halifax Proud of Their Appearance-Will Be Finest Corps in Africa.

Halifax, Jan. 26.-The Canadian Mounted Rifles, Police and cowboys from the Northwest Territories were inspected the Northwest Territories were inspected at the armories to-day, when the greatest enthusiasm was shown. The battalion will be the finest in South Africa and present a better appearance in their Khaki uniforms than they did in the variety of costumes worn when they reached this city. The men were inspected and afterwards congratulated by Major-General Hutton. The sail to morrow.

RETREATING ON PRETORIA.

President Steyn Abandoning Free State Capital—Boers Running Short of Ammunition.

Durban, Wednesday, Jan. 24.-One undred and sixty Boers, captured durng Gen. Buller's recent operations, have

But the Government Shows No Indication of Changing Attitude of Neutrality,

London, Jan. 27.—The Standard in an editorial dealing with the significance of Dr. Leyds' doings in Paris, remarks:

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FAMOUS YACHT SOLD.

London, Jan. 26.—It is announced that Mr. Peters Donaldson sold the yacht Isolde to an American, Mr. Hert, who intends to race her in the United States under the command of Capt. Archie Ho-

A grain of sand in the eye can cause extracted a way evening, at which Dr. Leyds was present. The Eche de Paris says: "His absence was the cause of much remark."

Pretoria, Jan. 24.—The federal forces thave started a heavy bombardment of Kimberley. The garrison's new gin carried five miles, but collapsed after a few shots.

CHINA'S DEAD EMPEROR.

London, Jan. 27.—The Hong Hong correspondent of the Times says he has received a despatch intimating the dethronement and death of Emperor Kwanz Su.

Killed on

The Railway

Richard Wilson, a Brakeman on the E. & N. Killed Yesterday.

Fell From the Train and Met Horrible Instant Death.

Richard Wilson, a brakeman in the em instantly killed resterday afternoon at 3:45 at Russell's Station, being literally ground to pieces beneath the wheels of a freight

Wilson, who had only been in the employ of the company since December 1, in en-deavoring to leave the train at Russell's to place a switch, fell between the cars of the mixed freight approaching Victoria and met instant death. A tramear loaded with passengers for the city was at the cross-

passengers for the city was at the crossing at the time the terrible accident occurred, and those aboard were much shocked at the dreadful affair.

The train was instantly stopped, but it was soon seen that poor Wilson was beyond reach of all carthly assistance, the unfortunate man having been rolled and mangled for a distance of 50 yards beneath the trucks. Both legs and one of the arms were completely several from the body and death must have been instantaneous.

The train from which deceased fell being brought to a standstill, the city police and the B. C. Undertaking & Furnishing Company were notified; and the latter removed the remains to the parlors on Government street.

Coroner Hart will hold an inquest at 2 p.m., to-day, when those who witnessed the

Coroner Hart will hold an inquest at 2 p.m. to-day, when those who witnessed the accident will be required to attend and give evidence, though no doubt exists that the fattal affair was purely accidental. Richard Wilson, the deceased, had not long been a resident of Victoria, only entering the employ of the railway company, as before stated, on December 1 last. He came here from Toronto, having for 15 years been an employee of the Grand Trunk Railway Company.

Deceased, who resided at 122 Oswego street, was 35 years of age. He leaves a wife and three small children, the youngest being but three years of age, to mourn his sudden taking off. The funeral will be announced later.

PASSENGER COMMISSIONS.

Official Notice of Their Discontinuance Western Roads After This Month.

New York, Jan. 26 .- It is certain that commission payments on passenger business are to be abolished on all western roads on February 1. Official notice "to all concerned" has been issued by the chief executive officers of all the roads except the Canadian Pacific, west of Chicago, St. Louis, New Orleans and St. Paul. The Great Northern and Southern Pacific, the attitude of which companies prevented immediate action two days ago, joined in the notice. It reads as follows:

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"Effective on February 1, 1900—
Thereafter the railway companies subscribing hereto will not under any circumstances pay any sort of stipend or consideration of any character to ticket agents, brokers or others for their influence, or as a commission on the sale of passenger tickets over their respective lines."

More than 13,000 of these notices are being mailed from the office of the Western Passenger Association to ticket agents, general agents, travelling agents and other persons engaged in soliciting and obtaining passenger business.

CABLE LOBBY AT WASHINGTON.

Eastern Extension Company Lays Claim to Monopoly of Philippine Rights.

Washington, Jan. 26.—Before the house committee on interstate and forcign commerce the Pacific cable question was taken up to-day and Gen. Wager Swayne of New York spoke in favor of private construction and operation of the cable line as against government owner-

ship.

Mr. Louis Marshall of New York appeared in behalf of the Eastern Extension and Australian Telegraph Company, the British company which now operates the cable connected with the Philippines, and stated that he was present to submit a notice of prior rights. He explained the concessions held by this company rom Spain. Mr. Marshall said the company maintained that these grants by Spain were binding on the United States.

Mr. Corliss asked if it was claimed the United States could not lay a cable to Manilla.

Manila.

Mr. Marshall said it was held this Mr. Marshall said it was held this could not be done without extinguishing the existing rights in some regular way. Capt. Squeer, acting chief signal officer, stated that the war department had secured copies of the original concessions under which this British company was operating. He said these controverted the claims of exclusive rights. They were translated and would soon be submitted to Congress.

OTTER REPORTS PROGRESS.

New Brunswick Volunteer in Disgrace All Hands Well and Hard Worked.

Ottawa, Jan. 26.-Lleut.-Col. Otter sends sends a report to the militia department which covers the doings of the first contingent from December 4 to December 17. There is very little in the report that has not been already covered by cable and cor

not been already covered by cable and correspondence from the front.
Reference is made to the death of Chappelle, one of the St. John and Charlottetown detachment, who died after two days'
liness. The report also refers to one of
the New Brunswick company being courtmartfalled for having in his possession
stolen property, knowing it to be stolen.
He got thirty days. The stolen property
consisted of a revolver.
Col. Otter says that the members of the
contingent had been working very hard for
the period which the report covers. They
were frequently on duty at 3 o'clock in the
morning. In one instance they had all their

morning. In one instance they had all theh camps taken down and everything on the train ready to start at 4 a.m. Notwith standing the hard work the men were in excellent spirits and doing well.

Immense Increase in the sale of the D. & L. Menthol Plaster evidences the fact that it is useful for all rheumatic pains, lumbago and lame back, pains in the sides, etc. Davis & Lawrence C., Itd., mannage.

INSPECTED BY THE PRINCE.

Teomanry Addressed by His Royal High ness on Eve of Departure for Africa.

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London, Jan. 26.—At the Life Guards barracks, Regent Park, this morning, the Prince of Wales inspected the first lot of Yeomanry, who start for South Africa tomorrow. A number of well known people were present, including Lady Essex, Lord Rothschild and Lord and Lady Lonsdale.

The Prince of Wales, who wore the undress uniform of a staff general, walked the entire line with Lord Chesham, making the minutest inspection, often taking a rifle in his hands and examining all parts of the equipment.

The men looked very business-like in khaki and putties, with cowboy hats turned up at the side, on which was a little bronze emblem representing the Prince of Wales' feathers.

At the conclusion of the inspection the

emblem representing the Armee of Armefeathers.

At the conclusion of the inspection the Prince of Wales made a speech, in which he said: "I am proud of the privilege of Inspecting you here to-day before you start for active service. I also feel it as a high compliment that I have been asked to be your honorary colone! You may be sure I shall take the deepest interest in your welfare and watch all your proceedings.

LOCAL NEWS.

Meeting Adjourned.—The Sir William Wallace Society meeting was adjourned last night on account of the Burns con-cert held at the First Presbyterian

To Keep Out Disease. - The board health are now putting into force health are now putting into force the provincial regulation for the prevention of smallpox and the passengers on the Sound steamers are being examined Sound steamers are being examined owing to the prevalance of smallpox in Washington.

Not So Heavy.—The lost by the fire on Chatham street on Thursday evening was not as heavy as stated yesterday, in fact it is now estimated at very little over \$2,000. The mill building and all over \$2,000. The mill building and all its contents was valued at \$450; R. Baker & Sons, barn hay and potatoes, \$1,050, on which there was \$450 insurance; and J. E. Painter's coal, \$100. Mr. Painter sent Chief Deasy a cheque for \$10 for the firemen's fund.

Big Business.—The corporation of the city of Toronto recently insured with the British Empire Matual Life Assurance for \$140,000 the 140 men from Toronto forming part of the Canadian contingent going to the Transvaal. The company has made an offer to Premier Semlin to insure the lives of the members of the British Columbia contingent, and are also willing to cover the lives of Lord Strathcona's contingent.

Lodge Physicians.—The delegates from the federated cocieties met last evening at the Oddfellows' hall and discussed the applications of the doctors offering their services to the societies. It was decided to call a meeting to ratify the appointments suggested. Much regret was expressed at the decided stand taken by the medical association of this city. A petition is being signed by the members asking the local house to revise and amend the medical laws of the province.

Pupils' Recital.—The pianoforte pupils Pupils' Recital,—The pianoforte pupils of Miss Ross gave a recital hast evening at Waitts' music hall, the young musicians acquitting themselves in the most creditable manner. Those taking part were: Misses Lizzle Garvin Jamicson, Nellie Craft, Mabel Agnes Cameron, Jennie Bishop, Gladys Cruickshanks, Gertie Craft, Madge Bishop, Jennie Russell and Masters F. Cameron, T. Jamicson,

Dined at Government House.—The Lieutenant-Governor last evening entertained the following gentlemen at dinner: Sir Henry Crease, Rev. Dr. Camplell, Major Benson, Mr. G. McL. Brown, Mayor Hayward, Mayor Hisbop (Skagway), Mr. E. C. Hawkins and Messrs. Baker. Clifford, Eberts, Green, Higgins, Helgesen, Hall, Helmcken, Kidd, Kellie, Kinchant, Martin, MeBride, Munro, Nell, Pooley and Prentice, of the legislative assembly.

Popular Concert.—To-night at the Saturday evening popular concerts in Temperance hall, Mr. A. Parfitt is in charge of the programme. Mr. Parfitt conducts his own orchestra and has surrounded himself with a number of exceellent instrumentalists. They will render several selections during the evening. Mr. Parfitt has also secured a number of vocalists and clocutionists, and so has been enabled to make up an excellently varied entertainment. Last Saturday many were turned away, the hall being crowded and standing room only declared at 8 o'clock.

Victoria Enterprise .- A meeting of the Victoria Enterprise.—A meeting of the directors of the Arctic Slope Mining Company was held yesterday morning in the offices of Messrs, Tupper, Peters & Potts. It was shown that enough treasury stock had been sold to carry on the operations of the company. They expect to start work with one monitor as soon as the ice leaves the Finlay river. Two more monitors are being sent up, together with supplies for this and next year. The company have a very large property in the Omineca country, and claim to have the pick of all the property at Germansen and Manson creeks and on the Finley river. Last year erly at Germansen and mannen creess and on the Finley river. Last year they were unable to get their monitor into the country, owing to the lack of pack trains, but they thoroughly prospected the Manson ereck country. The directors, among whom is the Lieutenant-Governor, are satisfied that this year's working will give a very large return. The property of the Arctic Slope-Mining Company is so large that it will be rears before it can be worked out. At the present time, when so much has been said about the Omineca country, it is satisfactory to note that most of the stock has been subscribed in Victoria.

PERSONAL.

Bishop Perrin returned from Alberni ye

T. H. Blake, of Cobble Hili, is at the Dominion.

Smith Curtis, of Rossland, is registered at the Driard.

E. B. Hall, of Chemainus, registered at the Victoria yesterday.

George M. Rice and P. A. Heney, of Skagway, are at the Victoria.

C. G. Simpson, of Nelson, is here on a business trip. He is at the Dominion.

E. B. Connor, of Scattle, is here buying supplies to take up North. He is at the Dominion. Capt Waldbuhn, of the Chillan bark An

Cupt. Wandown, of the United Dark Antologasta, which is loading lumber at Chemainus, is at the Victoria.

Mrs. E. C. Hawkins arrived from Seattle Yesterday to meet her husband, Manuget Hawkins, of the White Paes & Yukon Railway Co.

AN INVENTOR'S FORTUNE.

ondon, Jan. 26.-The late Prof. David London, Jan. 26,—The late Frot. David Edward Hughes, the electrician and in-ventor, who died on Tuesday, left num-erou benevolent bequests. To each of four leading London hospitals he be-queathed £80,000. Prof. Hughes had an income of £40,000 a year.

KNOCKED OUT IN TWENTY-ONE

New York, Jan. 26.—At the Broadway Athletic Club to night mysterious Billy Smith of this city knocked out Frank McConnell, of San Francisco, in the 22nd round of what was to have been a 25 round bout. The men met at 148 pounds

PETERS-At Oak Bay, on January 26, the wife of F. Peters, Q.C., of a son.

DIED.

FRASER—At the family residence, 66 Sec ond street, on the 24th instant, Willian Grant Fraser, a native of New Glasgow Pictou, Nova Scotia, aged 56 years.

The funeral will take place TO-DA Saturday), at 2:30 p.m., from the residence as above, and at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church at 3 o'clock.

Friends will please accept this intimation

F. O. E.

A special meeting of the Fraternal Order of Eagles will be held at their hall on Sun-day, 28th, at 3 p.m. Business: The phy-sician.

CHEAPER LIGHT Discounts Doubled

From January 1st, 1900, the B. C. Elec. y, Co. have decided to DOUBLE THE ISCOUNTS hitherto allowed on all light accounts nitherto allowed on all light accounts paid at the Company's offices on the before the 15th day of each month, provided there are no arrears. The basis rate will be, as, before, 20 cents her kilowatt hour, and the following dis-

per knowatt hour, and the following dis-counts will be allowed:
On bills under \$10, now 20 per cent., be-fore 10 per cent.
On bills between \$10 and \$25, now 30 per cent, before 15 per cent.
On bills over \$25, now 40 per cent., before 20 per cent.

Brilish Columbia Elec. Ry. co VICTORIA B. C.

ELECTRICIAN WANTED.

Electrician wanted for the Municipal Lighting Plant of New Westminster, are and incandescent, to take charge March 1st. State qualifications send references to F. R. GLOVER, City Clerk. State qualifications and salary wanted, and

City Hall, New Westminster, Jan. 23, 1900.

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SPECIAL

The opportunity has been afforded me bringing to Victoria in the near future, The World's Great Cantatrice,

Madame

And Assisting Artists.

It is necessary, however, that I should be able to assure this great attraction of a reasonably large business, to ascertain the probability of which a subscription list will be opened at the Victoria Book & Stationery Store to-ROBERT JAMIESON MOFFER TO AND THE STATE OF THE STATE

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With Mr. James Neill Presenting the following extraordinary epertoire:

TO NIGHT—Temperance Hall, popular concert. Programme in charge of Mr. A. Purdit; orchestral muslc, songs, rectitations, etc., by splendld talent. Admission 10 cents.

SHORTHAND SCHOOL-15 Broad Institution in shorthand writing, book-keeping. G. B. PARRY, Watch Maker, 23 Broad St., removed to 104 Fort St. ja2

RAYMOND, Medium, Circle to-night, Spirit manifestations, Readings, one till five, 90 Douglas St. 1924 WILL NOT BE RESPONSIBLE for debts contracted by any person in my name in Victoria. H. Nixon.

LODGES AND SOCIETIES.

ONS OF ENGLAND-Alexandra Lodge A.O.U.W., hall, 2nd and 4th Thursday, J. G. Taylor, secretary. LOST OR FOUND.

LOST-Over James Ray, one brown spaniel puppy, four months old. Reward on returning to 124 Michigan street. Anyone harboring same after this notice will be prosecuted.

COR. LANGLEY & BROUGHTON STSI-Two lots, \$10,000. Easy terms. Apply 40 Gevernment St.

JOHNSON STREET—Above Douglas, lot 60x120, three-storey brick and basement 60x100, well located for Factory of any kind, only \$10,000. Exceptionally easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. LOST—From Cralgilower Farm, 2-year-old Jersey bull. Auyone found harboring same will be prosecuted. J. Ruie, 327 Douglas street. jn25

LOST-A bunch of keys on chain ring. Find-er will confer a favor by returning to this office, jail

PROPERTY FOR SALE.

List of Properties by B. U. LAND & 1.

DALLAS ROAD AND MONTREAL ST. Bungalow and small two-storey house in reat, \$2500. Easy terms. Apply 40 Gov-ernment St.

FORT ST. Two-story dwelling, lot 60x120, well situated, \$2500. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St.

COOK ST. AND KINGS ROAD. Lots \$250 to \$400, small monthly payments, no interest. Fine chance to procure a home. Apply 40 Government St.

M'CLURE STREET. 5-roomed cottage and lot 72x120 for \$1600. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. nil

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COLLINSON ST. Running through to Beechy st., ½ lot. 5-roomed cottage \$900. \$200 cash, balance on time, Apply 40 Gov. nil

crument St. 111 RITHET ST. Lot 45x120 and 5-roomed bungalow for \$1400. \$200 cash and bal ance on time. Apply 40 Government St.

FOURTH ST. 214 acres. Has been under cultivation. Price \$2000. \$250 down, bai-ance on time, with interest at 6 per cent. Apply 40 Government St.

WILKINSON RD. 12 acres, dwelling, barns, etc., all under cultivation, \$3000. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St.

DENMAN ISLAND—160 acres containing evidence of coal, \$750; terms, apply 40 Government street.

KANE STREET. Lot and three houses, al rented, \$3600. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

BROAD AND PANDORA STS. Lot 60x120 open to offer on easy terms. Apply 40 Government St.

DADBORO BAY ROAD. 3½ acres, near Exhibition Buildings, \$1050. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St. n11

ST. LOUIS ST. House and lot open to offer. Easy terms. Apply 40 Govern-ment St. n11

RICHARDSON ST. Full lot and seven-roomed cottage, \$2000. Easy terms. Ap-ply 40 Government St. ni

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-Two lots: fine 2-storey dwelling: large

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STRAWBERRY VALE. 424 acres all fenced, 4 mles from city; principal por-tion under cultytation. Dwelling, barns, etc. \$5000, \$500 down, ballnes on time, interest 6 per cent. Apply 40 down-ment St.

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HUMBOLDT STREET. One lot, with wate front, open to offer, sule or lease. Appl 40 Government St. n1

THE ARM. 14 acres cleared, water front the site for bungalow; electric light, and water pipes running past premises. Whole amount of purchase money may remain on mortgage at 6 per cent. \$3000 Apply 40 Government St.

SAHTLAM DIST. 160 acres, near Dun-cans, 30 acres cleared. Trunk road and never-failing stream runs through prop-erty. \$1000. Terms. Apply 40 Govern ment St.

NORTH SAANICH. 350 acres. 70 acres under cultivation. Good soil, near sea. Strong evidence of coal on this land; \$8000. Easy terms. Apply 40 Govern-ment St.

Government St.

JORDAN MEADOWS. Fine farm, well stocked, for sale or lease. Terms on application at 40 Government St. nil

A WHOLE ISLAND. Off Siduey. 60 acres. two-story building, etc.; coal croppings. \$1200. Apply 40 Government St. n11

ROSS BAY. 10 acres cleared, ready for cultivation; sea frontage. Open to offer. Apply 40 Government St. n11

ESQUIMALT ROAD. 2½ acres cleared and fenced, corner. \$3500. Subdivided into town lots, this should sell well. Apply 40 Government St.

OHNSON STREET. Below Government, three-storey brick with basement, lot 60x120, easy terms. Price \$40,000. All let. Apply 40 Government St.

CGR. MENZIES AND NIAGARA STS, One acre, \$3500. Easy terms. Apply 40 Government St.

\$1000. Cash and Twelve annual payments of \$500 cach, interest at 6 per ceat, per annum, will purchase a full lot on principal street with three-storey building, modern coevreniences, well adapted for private lodging house. Apply 49 Government St.

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ADNERS LANDING—66 acres under-drained and cultivated; two-storey dwell-ing, barns, orchard, etc.; price \$0,000. Finest soil in the province, easy terms. Apply 40 Government street. d5

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250 CASH and Five annual installments of \$500 (with interest at 6 per cent.) will buy two-storey house, with all modern conveniences, and lot 60x100 near Christ church. Apply 40 Government St. CHATHAM ST. Cottage and double front lot, \$1000. \$100 cash and balance on time, This is cheaper than paying rent. Apply 40 Government St. 111 PARRY ST. James Bay. Four two-story dwellings, always let, producing \$25 pez-month. Open to offer. Apply 40 Govera-ment St.

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OAK BAY AVENUE. Four lots near Rock-land avenue for \$1,250, or will be sold separately at \$350 each. Terms. Apply 40 Government St. ja18

TOTORIA ARM. Twenty acres, fenced and ready for cultivation, orchard, etc., \$2,750. Very casy terms. Fine site for chicken ranch and fruit farm. Apply 40 Government St. 1818

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WANTED—Furnishings of nice residence; state price. "Bennee," Colonist. 1a27 PARTMERISHIP WANTED by good business man, with \$500 to \$700. In confidence to "Partner," Colonist. 1a27

WANTED-General servant, Apply Mrs. Ives, Dunedon street, off Gorge Road. ja

Gregory, Lt.-Col.

HAVE YOUR BOOTS AND SHOES repaired by C. Nangle, the prize boot and
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WANTED.-Employment of any kind by a middle-aged man, just out from England not particular what it is, "H.J.," Colonist office. ja26

FOR SALE—New split cane trout rod, 111/2 feet; Greenheart trout rod, 16 feet, built by Hardy Bros,; splendid hammerless. 12-bore gun, as good as new Any of the angle to be sold cheap. "Sport," [625]

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To Press Needs Of Princeton

Delegates Come to Meet the Government and Boards of Trade.;

Ask Help for Wagon Road That Would Bring Business to Coast.

Among the delegations here to-day to ess on the government the requirements of their district, is one composed of Messrs. A. E. Hawse, James Anderson and Smith Curtis, of Princeton. For the benefit of those not acquainted with the geography

says even with high rates the company will be able to ship the high grade ore to the Const smelters. Of course in time the district must be tapped by a railway, either from the Const or Spence's Bridge, but in the meantime the wagon road would develop the district, passing as it would through a very rich mineral country, give the trade to the Const cities, and would develop the district, passing as it would be constructed by the construction of the construction always be a permanent highway to the

always be a permanent highway to the miners.

A glance at the map shows how easily the trade, most of which is now controlled by Eastern merchants, could be diverted by the building of this road. All goods for Princeton and the surrounding country now have to go to Spence's Bridge, nearly 100 miles further east than Hope, and from there are taken in by a circuitous wagon route of 120 miles. The distance from Hope to Princeton is but 65 miles, so that the building of the road would bring the Coast cities over 150 miles nearer what experts say will be a greater mining camp than even Rossiand.

The C. P. N. Co., realizing the importance of the road, have assured the delegates that upon its completion they will run a steamer to Hope Landing. To-day the delegates will meet the members of the British Columbia Board of Trade, and on Monday evening the Vancouver board will hold a special meeting to hear the details of the proposition.

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Besides the road and the bridge there are
a few minor matters that the people of
Princeton want the government to attend to. They want the road from Princeton to Keremos completed, the government
offices removed from Granite Creek to
Princeton, and a school house. All these
things they believe they are entitled to, as
Mr. Howse says they contribute \$10,000 to
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STOCKS IN NEW YORK.

New York, Jan. 26.—The record of the day on the stock exchange was a repetition of yesterday in slugglanes, but prices went down instead of up as was the case went down instead of u

MARINE NOTES.

Wictorious Passes Up to Chemainus for a Cargo of Lumber.

The big tramp steamer Victorious arrived from the Orient yesterday morning, and after spending some time in quarantine went to Chemainus to load n million and a half feet of lumber. From Chemainus she will go to San Francisco to load mules, and from there to the Fiji Islands.

Messrs. Dodwell & Co. have sent the Utopia north with the passengers and freight that were to have gone on the City of Seattle. She had on board 36 horses, 50 head of cattle and a heavy shipment of dressed beef.

The Italian bark Elicar sailed from Vancouver yesterday with 978,268 superficial feet of lumber, valued at \$6.100, for Callao.

ficial feet of lumber, valued at \$0.100, for Callao.

The Japanese steamer Riojun Maru, from Seattle, stopped here last night. She is bound for Japanese and Chinese Ports. She has on board seven Europeans, including a French countess, 50 Japanese, 31 Chinese and 5,000 tons of freight.

The Cottage City sailed from the outer wharf at an early hour yesterday morning for Alaska. Among the passengers were G. L. Stelly, W. F. Allen. C. Renne and E. Barrett. She had about 100 passengers and a large number of dogs. Mony of the passengers on the Cottage City intend rushing over the ice to Dawson and Cape Nome.

The City of Seattle will have to give bonds to the amount of \$100,000 before

she can leave Juneau, as she has been libelled for \$50,000. It looks at present as if there was going to be a fight over the salvage question, and a counter suit for damages done to the Seattle's bow and stern may be started to offset the salvage claim. The Pacific Coast Steamship Company evidently expect this, for they have taken steps to anticipate it. The tug Tyee, which was to lave gone up to bring down the City of Seattle, has been detained owing to the disagreement on the salvage question.

Curtis, of Princeton. For the benefit of those not acquainted with the geography of the Interfor it might be stated that Princeton is situated in the Similikameen valler, about 65 miles from Hope Landland, on the Fruser river, opposite Hope station, on the C. P. R., and is the centre of one of the most promising mining camps in British Columbia, which is saying a great deal. One of the great needs of the district is better transportation facilities, and that is one of the things that the delegates are bringing to the attenion of he government and boards of trade of the Coast cities, for in the development of the district surrounding Princeton the merchants of the Coast cities, for in the development of the district surrounding Princeton the merchants of the Coast cities, for in the development of the district surrounding Princeton the merchants of the Coast cities, for in the development of the district surrounding Princeton the merchants of the Coast cities, for in the development of the district surrounding Princeton the merchants of the Coast cities, for in the development of the district surrounding Princeton the merchants of the Coast cities, for in the development of the district mines are situated, are separated by in The bridge would have to be a 46d-revent of the coast cities of the coast of the coast cities of the coast of the coast cities of the coast c

weather and lack of snow affects business at Montreal, and payments are delayed in some lines, although the money market is ensier. Trade prospects continue satisfactory at Hallfax. Retailers complain of open weather at Hamilton, but jobbers report spring orders in excess of last year. Spring trade is opening well at Quebec, and collections on the whole are satisfactory. There is little change in business conditions in British Columbia, Vancouver reporting a slight increase in refail trade, and Victoria finding trade satisfactory, being of seasonable proportions, while increases in some lines over last year are noted.

Canadian failures for the week number 39, as compared with 35 last week, and 32

as compared with 35 last week, and 32 this week a year ago.

THE LONDON MARKETS.

London, Jan. 26.—There was a slump in London, Jan, 26,—There was a slump in the markets here to-day on the announcement of the abandonment of Spion Kop by Gen. Warren. The reason for this action was not understood, there being no explanatory word in the disappointing despatch. About midday there was a slight rally, which, however, was followed by a fresh relapse, and the close was near the worst. In some quarters the Spion Kop reverse was interpreted as the most serious thus far in the campaign, unless some unexpectwas interpreted as the most serious thus far in the campaign, unless some unexpected explanation shall be received. Consols closed at 100%, a fall of %. Americans followed the general movement, but finally hardened on New York support. Paris is nervous. Money was still easy, although this was settlement day and bills were offered more freely. There was no gold movement.

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Copper closing, spot £71, futures £69 1-5s,
Market firm; sales spot 100 tons, futures 275 tons.

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TO-DAY'S FOOTBALL MATCH.

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Finance and Commerce

WEEKLY TRADE REVIEW.

New York, Jan. 26.—Bradstreet's Review to-morrow will say: "Exceptions to the quiet and even duliness shown by many lines of trade and speculation are found in the active demand for woollen goods for the developed of the country part of the week have been at advances of 25 to 40 per cent, In other lines, notable steadiness is shown in prices. Weather conditions throughout the country part of the week have been against retail trade in seasonable goods, of large stocks of winter goods in the hands of this branch of trade. An effect of the unusually mild weather is that shown in the Northwestern lumber business. Lack of show will probably insure a reduction in the cut of last year and this combined with smaller stocks, points to at least a maintendage of present lumber quotations. Wool manufacturers have constituted an exception to the general quiet. They opened The battle royal between the Vancouver and Victoria football teams will be fought

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

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Victoria vs. Leanders.

The return game between these clubs will be played at Beacon Hill this afternoon, commencing at 2.30 sharp. The Victoria team is: Goal, F. Jones; backs, B. Schwengers and S. Lorimer; halfbacks, A. Johnston, W. McKeown and A. Rutherford; forwards, H. Shandley and J. Paulin, J. Noot, W. N. Winsby and B. Powell.

Junior Match. A boys' team, coached by Mr. E. O'Callaghan, an enthusiast of the Terminal City, arrived last evening to play a match with the Collegiate school team this morning.

this . morning. THE TURF. Club Run.

The Victoria Hunt Club will meet at Colwood to-day at 2.30 p.m. GOLF. Medal Competition To-day at the Oak Bay links the Victoria Golf Club will hold its first monthly medal competition.

HOCKEY.

To-day's Big Match. To-day's Big Match.
The crack teams of the Victoria and Vancouver Ladies' Hockey clubs will meet for the first match of the season at Oak Bay park to-day. On Monday evening the visitors from the Terminal City will be the guests of the home club at the second annual ball at A, O, U, W. ball.

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In England, it may be interesting to note, Lord Strathcona lives, while out of London, at Knebworth, one of the most famous old mansions of Hertfordshire, with a history dating back as far as the Norman conquest, though as the ancestral home of Lord Lytton, the author, it is not without an interest more modern. A Chicago newspaper is possibly not the best of authorities on such a subject, but the following clipping from one tells an interesting story:

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interesting story:

"Knebworth survived a stormy transition from a Norman fortress held by Endo Dapifer at the conquest, to become one of the most picturesque of Elizabethan mansions, where Queen Bess delighted to visit Sir Rowland de Lytton about the time of the Armada. It was owned in turn by Thomas de Brotherton, fifth son of Edward I.; the noted Sir Walter de Manny; Anne, wife of John de Hastings, Earl of Pembroke; Sir John de Hortoff, treasurer of the household of Henry VI.; Sir Thomas Bouchier, Knight of the Garter, and Sir William de Lytton, Governor of Boulogne. Like most historic houses of its kind, its principal apartments are the banquet hall, oak drawing-room, library, and the oak

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THE WAR.

We must possess our souls in patiene The Boer nut is harder to crack than any of us imagined, but it will be cracked. The majority of people appear to have forgotten the history of former wars. The opposing armies in the field in South Africa are substantially equal numerically and in the character of their armament. The enemy have the advantage of being on the defensive. Modern arms greatly favor a defensive force. If mere pluck could carry the day, we would have driven the Boers to Pretoria long ago; but pluck is of little avail when an enemy can shoot down every man be-fore the attacking force reaches their entrenchments. Generalship is what will win in the long run, and we must be content to wait until our generals have had time to work out their plans. They must not be expected to succeed in everything they undertake. The country does not expect it of them. Let us look the situation over. At Mafeking a small force was beseiged by a very much larger one in a town aboslutely without modern de-It has held out for three months. In Kimberley similar conditions existed, only there was greater disparity between the beseiged and the beseigers, yet the latter with all their great numbers have not been able to take the city. Ladysmith is strategically a weak point, yet force exceeding his own by many thousands. So far not a British post has been although in each instance the enemy have had the advantage in num-bers and position. So much for one side of the case. Now for the other. The enemy were forced back from his chosen position three times on the road to Kimberley, once at Belmont, once at Graspan and once at Modder River, He has not yet been disloged from his fourth position at Colesberg he has been able to withstand attack so far and also at Stormberg. Here his forces seem to be about equal to ours, but he has the advantage of position. The investing force NEW WESTMINSTER'S REQUEST at Ladysmith is said to be greater than ours and it has all the advantage of a chosen position prepared for months to \$6,000 for its exhibition this year. Unresist attack. So far we have not made less serious objections can be urged any considerable progress in driving him against this resquest, it ought to be comout; although something has been done. This review shows the immense advantage enjoyed by an army that is on the ance to the whole province. It does much that what Baden-Powell has been able to be done in reason to make it even a

Dourless the enemy had the exact range and could plant their shells on it where one by their indomi; able pluck. We are they chose. But though it is a disappointment, it is not a calamity. If the Boer position cannot be turned in that way it can be in another, and we must the squite true that the people with the squite true that the people with the squite true that the squite tr wait unto the other has been tried be- calities which will ask the governmen

sheds a little agreeable light on the situa-tion along the Tugela. He tells us that the fighting on the 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd now does for the encouragement of agri was the part of an effort on our part to cut the enemy's right from his centre and has never received that degree of recog was successful as far as it had gone. We know that our list of casulties was light during those four days, while that of the Boers, judging from the information at hand, must have been heavy. One hundred and thirty Boers were found dead in one trench. How many more were killed is not suggested, but as these the total killed must have aggregated several hundreds. The wounded usually all reason. outnumber the killed three or four to one, so that the enemy's total casualties may have run up as high as 2,000. The interesting news also comes that Ladysmith is in fine condition and that General while there is no occasion for alarm here,

We venture to predict that the opinion that one of the best movements that General Roberts could make would be to despatch a column for the invasion of the the surface of the case. The quarantine Free State from the Southwest, that is officers will do everything in their power from the crossing of the Orange river by to prevent the introduction of the disease the railway, and it would not be a matter of surprise to learn that some of the troops, whose whereabouts have not been disclosed, have been sent on that service

FREE SPEECH.

The Times wants to know since when the Colonist has been in favor of free speech. It has always been in favor of free speech and has taken many opportunities of so demonstrating. For example, when certain newspapers in this province were charged with libel upon cabinet ministers, and they were afraid to say that their souls were their own while the proceedings were pending, the Colonist insisted that they had a right to speak as fully and freely in their own defence as if no prosecution had eve been instituted. When it was pretended that the institution of a prosecution barred the legislature from discussing matters that might come up in the suit the Colonist protested against any such monstrous proposition. When an attempt was made in the Supreme Court of this province to enforce what the Colonist regarded as an improper rule

as to freedom of discussion of public matters in the public press, the Colonist although proceedings in contempt wer then actually pending against its editor and business manager, defended its con duct, and when the judge before whom the matter was heard propounded what we humbly conceived to be an imprope view of the liberty of the press, we disputed the proposition as energetically as we knew how. There may be some things on which the Colonist is astray. but its worst enemy cannot complain that it has ever shrunk from fighting for absolute freedom of speech.

The Colonist is not frightened by any nonsense about "inciting members to defy the Speaker." what it proposes to do, whenever it satisfied that the Speaker is violating the rights of the representatives of the people. "It was said in this house the other day," said Mr. Eberts a few days "You cannot refer to what was said in this house a few days ago," in-terrupted Mr. Speaker. We are not claiming to give the exact words used, but substantially what was said. Now, what does such an absurd rule amount to? Simply to this, that if a member of the government propounds a thing today in a speech and it is not replied to before the question is taken, although he may be the very last member having a right to speak, what he has said car never be again referred to. Apply this in practice. Early in the session the Premier made a grossly unconstitutional threat of a dissolution. This under the ruling of the Speaker can never be again referred to in the legislature. member can when the house is being moved into supply attack him for this as he deserves to be attacked. Moreover, under the same ruling, when supply is moved, the opposition may not refer again to the matters brought up during the debate on the address, not even those things mentioned by Mr. Henderson when he shut off debate by moving the previous question. Do the Times and the News-Advertiser propose to maintain any such monstrous proposition as

We confess to be unable to understand how the members of the opposition submit to such rulings. Even the ministerial threat of expulsion from the house made in the Finance Minister's paper, ought not to deter them. The governnent may be able to persuade their supporters to do many things, but we do not believe they could hold them together for an hour in an attempt to choke off

New Westminster wants a grant of There need be no surprise good every year, and anything that can do against his chosen strong position, greater success than it has been hereto Joubert has been able for the present to do against a force which may be numeriplication is also entitled to consideration The abandonment of Spion Kop was a great disappointment, but we may rest assured that it was absolutely unitarily very sure that the people of the province would like to see the exhibition dealt

It is quite true that there are other le fore we grow discouraged.

The Morning Post's correspondent to what seems like a moderate demand nition which it deserves. Mr. Turne alone of all the recent premiers of the appreciate its claims and in his short term of office he in augurated a policy which, if he had bee enabled to carry it into effect, would have produced much good. We do not think any government need fear the verwere the deaths in a single place in a diet of the electors upon any expenditure single day it is possible that in four days

THE BUBONIC PLAGUE.

The bubonic plague seems to be extend there is unquestionably need for the utmost precautions. The danger points are and it may be admitted that their precau tions or plans appear as near perfect a can be devised. Doutbless experience from day to day will show how improve ments may be made, and we believe a that citizens may rest content that noth ing will be omitted at that point which is likely to conduce to their safety from this dread disease. But the plague some times eludes the most vigorous quaran tine. How it does so no one can tall I anyone could tell in advance additional precautions would be taken. We mus therefore take care to guard against the disease on shore. The two principal danger points in the city are the wharves and Chinatown. It is now well known that rats are plague carriers. We told in yesterday's Colonist that a white lady

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own. If this dread disease should once

obtain a foothold there no one can fore-

see the result. Let us admit, if we like

that there would be comparatively little

tacked, we cannot afford for an instant to

have the plague get a foothold here. The

city would be at once placed under the

strictest quarantine and the financial loss

would be enormous. Our northern trade

away from us and could never be regain-

pend millions of dollars than to have re-

Honolulu.

peated here what is now transpiring in

We understand that the city health of-

ficer is on the alert and is endeavoring to

do something with Chinatown, but we

fear that the remedy for the conditions

existing there is beyond his powers.

There are portions of Chinatown which can be readily cleaned up, but for others

there is no adequate remedy except the

complete demolition of the horrible shacks

in which people huddle together in defiance of all principles of hygiene. Nor

can this observation be confined wholly

to Chinatown, for lying adjacent to it the

north is a small section of the city in

equally great need of thorough cleansing

AFFAIRS IN CHINA.

Events in South Africa have dis

tracted public attention from what is transpiring in China, but if it were not

or the war there, the Orient would re-

ceive the earnest consideration of the

whole world. Momentous events are in,

progress at Peking. With the very few

particulars available it is next to im-

possible to form an accurate idea of

what has been done and what is pro-

posed, but the Empress Dowager ap-

pears to have been successful in the

stance, of power. The deposed monarch

form. The Dowager Empress on the

contrary is a reactionary of the worst

type. Whether or not she is under the

influence of Russia cannot readily be

Japan thinks so, and that plucky little nation is apparently ready to enter the

lists against the great northern power is

No one can foresee what will happen

s the result of the intrigues now in pro-

gress in China. All the great power

United States must take a hand in what

s transpiring. Our neighbors with con

siderable show of reason have evinced

Oriental matters. Their newly acquired

interests in the Philippines, and the

great commercial future which China

opens to American enterprise forbid the

while the Chinese Empire is being over

run by one nation or is being parcelled

The general impression seems to b

that the Victoria-Chilliwack by-law wil

oe dropped, but that something will come

of one or the other of the proposals sub

with a good deal of what the Times says

as to the necessity of greater unity of

effort in matters of this nature, and

especially as to what it says about the

first question in Victoria usually being

"Who is the proposer?" not "What is

We agree

nitted to the city council.

vernment at Washington to stand still

disposition to claim a first place

vill be deeply interested.

out among several.

ecessary.

certained, but there is no doubt that

now growing so satisfactorily, would slip

Victoria could better afford to ex-



the proposal?" The by-law was pro had died at Honolulu from the plague contracted in superintending the removal posed in good faith and advocated wi of a rat which had died from it. Now it vigor, but though a painstaking effort t solve the problem of Mainland conne city are simply infested with rats, and tion was made, it was seen after fu these pests are by no means confined to the water front. Therefore we suggest that discussion to be impracticable. We do not observe any particular dis an effort should be made to exterminate position on the part of any one to boas all rats in the city, beginning at the

eral bye-elections. It is not only in South Africa that v have a war on hand. A small but successful campaign has just been wage n North Borneo by Capt. Harrington danger of the white population being atwith a corps of Sikhs.

much over the result of the recent fed

The Halifax Chronicle is respectfully requested to buy a book on British Columbia, and then it will not make such a mistake as to credit the city of Vancouver with the coal output of Van couver Island.

The correspondent, who wrote in regard to the right of one of the gentlemen at the Yorkshire dinner to call him self a Yorkshireman, will have to excus us from publishing his letter, although e shows his good faith by writing ove his own signature. Our reason for de clining to print the letter is that the sub ject is not of public interest.

In many legislatures the custom is to provide seats upon the floor of the house for ex-members and members of other legislatures. The idea is a good one and might be acted on in our legislature with out incommoding anyone. If chairs were placed on either side of the main entrance to the assembly room all such visitors would be readily accommodated.

Mr. Kellie, M.P.P., is desirous of emu lating Mr. Bunster, M.P. The latter sought to exclude Chinese from working on railways by introducing an act into parliament declaring that no person so employed should wear his hair more than four inches long, and Mr. Kellie proposes to keep them out of metalliferous mine in the same way. We predict his bill will meet the fate of its prototype. The problem of Chinese labor in this province will never be solved by monkey-business

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White Sale. Begins Tuesday, January 30th,

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The sale embraces in addition to women's and children's muslin underwear and kindred branches housekeeping linens, cottons, and gents' White Shirts, Collars and Cuffs; in fact, everything the component parts of which are linen or cotton, and the very fact that we offer it in this sale should and will be a sufficient warranty for substantial reliable quality.

And now, but one more word—about prices. Cottons and Linens have advanced very much during the past twelve months; goods that a year ago were 8 cents a yard are now worth 12½ cents, and the same advance has taken place throughout the many grades and kinds of White Goods. It became very much more difficult therefore to procure merchandise that would retain all the finish and careful workmanship that you require of us at prices that are attractive. We have, however, solved the problem and take pleasure in submitting to you

OUR OPENING ATTRACTIONS FOR TUESDAY'S SALE.



Women's Night Gowns

35c.—Muslin, square yoke, trimmed lace and clusters of tucks.
65e.—Fine Muslin, square yoke collar, edged with embroidery.
\$1.15—Fine Muslin, handsomely trimmed with embroidery, ruffles, braid and insertion.

sinsertion.
\$1.50—Cambric embroidery collar, front covered with embroidery and tucks.
\$1.85—Nainsook square yoke, covered with tucks, festoon of embroidery, down front, embroidery collar and cuffs.

Other qualities relatively as cheap, ranging up to \$8.95.



Women's Drawers

.-Muslin, well-made, full size, trim med, lace and four tucks. 25c.—Muslin, trimmed wide ruffle and

50c.—Fine Muslin, trimmed with wide embroidery, ruffle and eight tucks.

65c.—Fine Muslin, trimmed with wide embroidery, ruffle and twelve tucks. Ooc.—Cambric, trimmed with lawn, ruf-fle edged with embroidery, extra fle edged wide shape.



Women's Corset Covers

10c.—Plain Muslin, high neck, every seam double stitched, worth 20c.
15e.—Muslin, high neck, trimmed embroidery, worth 25c.
25c.—Fine Muslin, V-shaped yoke, trimmed with embroidery and braid, worth 35c.
45c.—Fine Muslin, V-shaped yoke trimmed with embroidery and insertion, worth 60c.

wide snape.

\$1.15—Cambric, trimmed with full ruflle of good embroidery.

Other qualities relatively as cheap, up to \$2.85.

Women's Chemises.

10c.-Muslin, trimmed lace, worth 25c. 25c.—Muslin, trimmed embroidery, worth 35c.

35c.

35c.—Muslin, open front, trimmed, insertion and ruffle,
50c.—Fine Muslin, trimmed, fine Torchoa lace and insertion, open front.
65c.—Fine Muslin, trimmed embroidery and insertion.
90c.—Cambric, trimmed frill of embroidery and insertion.

Other qualities relatively as cheap up to \$3.50.

Women's Skirts.

.-Muslin, Trimmed Embroidery and five tucks.

90c.—Muslin, trimmed, full ruffle, wide embroidery and three tucks.

\$1.15—Fine Muslin, finished with brella-shaped lawn ruffle edged

sown muslin embroidery. \$2.25—Cambric, with deep lawn flounce, edged with fine embroidery.

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ranging up to \$13.75.

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short bosom, our regular \$1.25 shirt
in this sale \$1.00

38 dozen Men's Flannelette Night Robes,
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dozen Men's Extra Heavy 4 Ply Collars, come in almost every shape, the equal in stitching and laundry work to any 15c, collar made in this sale half a dozen for 50c. 180 dozen Men's English 4 Ply Linen Collars, regular \$3.00 in this sale \$2.25 per dozen.

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Epworth League. — The Epworth League of the Metropolitan Methodist church will hold their social meeting on Monday evening at 8 o'clock. A good programme has been prepared.

Football this afternoon, 2:45, Victoria vs. Vancouver—Championship match at Caledonian grounds.

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Go to Drill hall concert to-night.

Bar Association.—A meeting of the Vic-toria Bar Association was held last even-ing, when the proposed amendments to the Supreme Court and Bills of Sale Act were considered. A committee was ap-pointed to report on them.

Municipal Amendments.—Mayor Hayward and the legislative committee of the city conneil yesterday had a conference with Deputy-Attorney-General McLean, when the proposed amendments to the Municipal acts were discussed.

Championship Rugby football—First home match, Caledonian grounds, this afternoon, 2:45—Victoria vs. Vancouver*

Want Blacksmiths.—In militia orders recently issued notice is given that the Imperial war office is prepared to accept qualified shoeing smiths, saddlers and wheelers for South Africa, at Imperial rates of pay. Applications should be forwarded at once to the officers commanding military districts. ing military districts.

Contract Awarded.—F. T. Sherbourne as yesterday awarded the contract for he hotel and buildings to be erected by the Shawnigan Lake Hotel Company.

In the Police Court.—Before M. trate Hall yesterday John Hardharged with the theft, of a watch, convicted and sentenced to four monuprisonment with hard labor. waugh, charged with an infraction of he Fire Prevention by-law, was re-anded until to-morrow. Lam Ling, a hinaman, for supplying liquor to In-ians, was sentenced to three months' ard labor. Heavy Sesche was fined 2.50 or in default five days' imprison-ent for being drunk.

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x, W. F. Fullerton, John Piercy,
the first annual banquet of the society
is held at the Imperial, not the Driard
tel, as stated yesterday.

Go to Drill hall concert to-night.

Gulf Ferry.—The transfer of loaded cars between Vancouver and Oyster Harbor, there connecting with the E. & N. railway, is now established, and several carloads of freight have already been delivered without breaking bulk at Duncans, Chemanius, Alexandria and the Extension Mine. On Thursday a carload of cattle was landed at Union just as it was shipped from the interior points. It is evident that no difficulty at all would be experienced in giving Victoria excellent connection with the Mainland and C.P.R. over the E. & N. railway via

Doctors Agree.—Dr. Fagan, secretary of the provincial board of health, and Dr. Fraser, city medical health officer, nave made an inspection of Chinatown, with the object of ascertaining conditions in that quarter from a sanitary ionit of view. They found that many of the Mongolians are quite active in naking a clean-up of their quarters, hough they are doing the work in a very crude fashion. Dr. Fraser is await.

Go to Drill hall concert to-night.

WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN

And Very Nearly Was, Comic Opera

Lands and Works, the Boss of the Administration and an Elderly Gentleman from West Yale.

The delegation entered the Presence in a manner becoming those who are to be admitted to an audience with such a combination of dignity and importance, and stated their case with former or the state of the control of

ccord. It now remains for the Chief The programme unissioner of Lands and Works to heard. His view of the matter is the expenditure of this sum—ahem, ciously—would be a very good thing, in the Chief Commissioner of Lands (a) Grand Fanta.

and the Comer Commissioner of Lands and Works."

This greatly encouraged the delegation, who now felt that they had a majority of the Presence with them, when the Presence arose once more and said:

"The reasons for and against the expenditure which the Minister for Agriculture, the Minister of Finance and the Chief Commissioner 'of Lands and Works have given are all very well as far as they go, but they do not touch the policy of the government, and the Boss of the Administration is not quite certain whether it is politically safe to give so much money to New Westminster. I am the Boss of the Administration."

At this the Elderly Gentleman from West Yale ventured to remark:

"The delegates will see that they must not go away under the impression that they have been promised anything."

Whereupon the delegates backed from the Presence and went their several ways.

Capt. Butler has been appointed to the command of the tug Lorne, and has been succeeded on the Filot by Capt. Cutler. The Lorne left last evening for Vancouver, having in tow the ships Angerona and Brrol. The Angerona will finish discharging at the Terminal City and the Errol goes to Hastings to load lumber. From Vancouver the Lorne goes to Oyster Harbor to tow the barge Richard III., loaded with coal, to Juneau.

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Craigflower Road Again.

Ald. Beckwith to Move for Re-

Clover Point Range Another Matter to Engage Attention of Aldermen.

next regular meeting of the city al intesest, inasmuch as Ald. Beckwith has

"That the city engineer be instructed, 1st to define the lines of the Craignower koan between the Esquimalt Road and city limits as laid down originally by the provincial government, 2md—To report as to the cost of placing said road in a good state of re-pair, between the points above mentioned. 3rd—To report as to the cost of a six-foot sidewalk on said road, between the points above mentioned."

Ald, Beckwith will also move: "Resolve Ald, Beckwith will also move: "Resolved that the municipal council of Victoria, B.C., for the year 1900, hereby confirms the resolution passed by the municipal council, their predecessors, at a meeting held on the 30th day of October, 1899, adopting the report dated on the 23rd day of October, 1899, of a special committee of the council re the rifle range at Clover Peint, and in which resolution the council undertakes to pay the cost of the construction of the new

thoroughly equipped modern file range at Clover Point, for the use of the netter militia of this city; "And resolved that the clerk of this coun cil be instructed to forthwith forward; copy of this resolution to the Honorable the Minister of Militia and Defence, Ot

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Among the pieces to be played are three
"first time" numberk, viz., Gottschalk's
"The Dying Poet," Gound's Ballet
Music from 'Faust," and Waldeufel's
concert waltz, "Les Patineurs" (The
Skaters). Gottschalk's composition,
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The commander of the Dominion governments.

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> When Rejected Ballots Are Viewed by a Judge.

Winnipeg, Jan. 26.—(Special)—E. D. Martin was to-day declared elected member for Winnipeg by 49 majority. Puttee, the Labor candidate, will ask for a recount, as there are 180 rejected and 76 spoiled ballots. Puttee claims that fully 75 per cent. of the rejected ballots are marked in his favor with the cross outside the dise, and he is quite confident that if the ballots are allowed he will secure the seat.

Sherbrooke, Jan. 26—Complete returns in yesterday's bye-election give McIntosh, Conservative, 1,416; Lebaron, Liberal, 1,318; majority for McIntosh, 98.

98.
Montreal, Jan. 26.—In Lotbiniere
Fortiere, Independent Liberal, was
elected by 170 majority over Boisvert,
the Liberal endorsed by Laurier.

IRISHMEN IN STATES.

Treated as Uitlanders They Would Not Be in Position to Introduce Pro-Boer Resolution.

Buffalo, Jan. 26.—Councilman C. F. Dunbar, whose motion that the pro-Boer resolutions recently passed by the board of aldermen should be killed was adopted by the board of councilmen was to-day congratulated by residents of Port Colborne, Ont., on the stand he had taken. In reply Mr. Dunbar has sent the following despatch: "I am pleased to know you appreciate my action in the council yesterday. Your thanks, though gratifying. were unmerited. I should be a churt.

house by an Irishman. I should like to know how an Irishman could be an alderman of Buffalo if our laws were the laws the Boers are fighting for. Wherever England goes she governs by laws that are for the good of all, and why any people should light to oppose them is past my understanding."

A CHINAMAN'S SOLUTION.

Sir Chihchen Lofengluh writes from the hinese Legation to the Morning Post a lost lucid and admirable letter on the entury question. He says: We may see a exact analogy to this if we look at a lap of the world. There the equator is larked 0, while the degrees of latitude orth and south of it are numbered 1 to 0 consecutively. But 0 is not a degree. or the first century B.O.? If so, there obvi-ously never was a year 0, and if so the first, fineteenth and twentieth centuries all began or begin on the years 1, 1801, and 1901 A.D., respectively.



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Mr. Higgins Moves in Legislature for Special Commission of Inquiry.

Mr. Prentice on His Position-Progress With Minor Business.

The parliamentary week has close with another light day, only routine work being disposed of, and the Coal Mines Regulation bill—the most important government measure now on the paper—being "stood over" indefinitely to permit of the report of the Provincial Coal Mines Commission being received. Mr. Higgins, although looking very ill and feeble, was able to take his seat in the house for half an hour yesterday, and brought forward the list of motions and questions that have been standing in his name, the majority or which were agreed to without debate. During the two hours sitting, Mr. J. M. Martin presented a petition from "98 accountants of the merchants of Rossland; 40 hotelkeepers, being all in the city; and many othersminers, artizans and professional men"—asking for the continuance of the eighthour law intact as in the nature of accomplishing the greatest good to the greatest number.

PETITIONS. the report of the Provincial Coal Mines

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Prayers being read by Rev. J. F. ichert, petitions were presented as fol-

miners, professional and workingmen of Rossland, to the following effect:

"The petition of the undersigned professional and business men humbly sheweth: 1. That the prosperity which has hitherto attended all business and professional men in the Kootenay district has been due to the cordial relations which have heretofore existed, and which are at the present time, existing between labor and capital; 2. That many hundreds of thousands of dollars have been invested in real estate and buildings in this district for the suitable protection of trade and business; 3. That since the adoption of the eight-hour law the population of the mining communities has greatly increased and is directly traceable to the adoption of such law, and that great good has been the direct result of such increase to your petitioners; 4. That the future destiny and prosperity of the country depends on the permanency of cordial relations between labor and capital; 5. That we believe a great depreciation in the value of property and business interests will follow any repeal of the eight-hour law and that there is reason to believe the peace of the community and all commercial and property interests and credits will follow a repeal; 6. That the greatest good to the greatest number will result from a continuance of the eight-hour law. Your petitioners therefore pray that no change be made in the present law which might operate as a repeal of the same. And pour petitioners will result from a continuance of the Eight-hour law. Your petitioners therefore pray that no change be made in the present law which might operate as a repeal of the. same. And pour petitioners will ever pray, etc."

By. Mr. Clifford, from M. King and from the Imperial Pacific railway company, each seeking bills of incorporation.

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Mr. Green presented to the house the fourth report of the private bills committee, recommending that the petition of M. King, for leave to introduce a petition re the Lake Bennett railway, be allowed. The committee also stated the preambles proved and rules complied with in the bills of the Synod of New Westminster, and the Imperial Pacific Railway Company.

The report was adopted.

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Speaking to a question of privilege, Mr. Green complained of an unintentionally incorrect report in the Vancouver Daily Province of his remarks upon the motion for reply to His Honor. The Province had reported him as stating that \$2,000,000 would represent the profits of the Slocan for this year—this being the profit upon an estimated gross output of \$7,000,000. This was not correct. What he had said was that it had been estimated that the output of the Slocan for 1899 was \$2,000,000, while the total output of the Kootenay was placed at \$7,000,000.

Mr. Prentice also had a question of privilege, the publication to which he took objection being found in the Nelson Thune, which paper had classed him with Merrs. Martin and Higgins as a political turncoat. He denied that he had ever yet done anything to entitle him to this classification; but declared that so soon as he might want to do so, he would become a political turncoat and take his chances with his constituents.

SMALL DEBTS ACT.

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A bill to amend the Small Debts Act (Attorney-General) was introduced; re-ceived first reading; and was ordered for second reading on Monday afternoon.

PROVINCIAL REFORMATORY. Mr. Higgins moved, seconded by Mr. Prentice, 'That a select committee be appointed to examine into and report appointed to examine into and report appointed to examine after affairs, the condition and requirements of the provincial reformatory, Victoria, with power to send for persons and papers, examine witnesses under oath, and report the result of the enquiry, said committee to

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consist of Messrs. Prentice, Macpherson A. W. Smith, Helmcken, and the mover." In explanation of the construction pro posed for this committee—the custom be ing departed from of having it comprise

perionce.

Hon. Mr. Semlin offered no objection
with the understanding that no preceden
should be considered established.

The resolution carried.

REDUCING WORKERS' WAGES.

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On Mr. Higgins' motion it was resolved that a return be granted of all correspondence between the government, or any member or officer thereof, and any party or parties resident in the district of North Victoria relative to the reduction of the wages of workmen employed on the roads of that district from \$2 to \$1.75 per day, and an increase of the hours of labor from mine to ten hours per day.

AN ASVILIM INDUITIES. AN ASYLUM INQUIRY.

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Mr. Higgins moved, with Mr. A. W. Smith as seconder, "That a committee, consisting of Messrs, McBride, Prentice, R. Smith, McPherson and Higgins, be appointed to visit the provincial lunatic asylum at New Westminster, with power to examine into and report upon the administration of the affairs, the condition and requirements of the institution, with power to send for persons and papers, examine witnesses under oath and report the result of their inquiries to this house."

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In presenting this motion, the member for Esquimalt said that he realized the government might object to it as involving an expenditure of public moneys, for fares, expenses, etc. From information that had come to his possession, however, it appeared that such an inquiry as proposed, was highly necessary and very urgent; and he hoped the government would raise no technical objection to it being secured, in the public good. He had no intention of seeking to embarraes the government, and it swould be noted had placed a majority of members of the government side upon the committee.

Hon. Mr. Semlin remarked that usch a resolution certainly did appear to be out of order, as involving an expenditure of public money.

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Mr. Higgins thought that the small amount involved might properly be taken from the appropriation for sessional expenses. It was quite permissible for the government to waive objection, and if this course were not taken he would ask that the matter stand over in order that he might present authorities justifying the introduction of the resolution.

Mr. Speaker—I do not feel at all sure myself that the matter is out of order.

Mr. Higgins again appealed to the house to pass the resolution. What was the matter of a few hundred dollare, he asked, to the welfare, happiness and comfort of many human beings, perhaps he most helpless and pitiable people in the world?

Hon. Mr. Henderson thought that the junior member for Esquimalt should have produced some facts to justify his claim of extreme urgency. As a resident of New Westminster himself and a frequent visitor to the asylum, he (Hon. Mr. Henderson) was quite at a loss to know what it was that the junior member for Esquimalt referred to—or what he indicated as calling for an inquiry. As he understood the matter, it was claimed that an inquiry of formal character was absolutely necessary in the interests of the patients?

Mr. Higgins—Yes. it is,

Hon. Mr. Henderson—I do not mean to say that the honorable member's information is inaccurate, but unless some specific and more substantial reason is given for the proposed inquiry than the general statement we have heard, I for onc, as a member of the administration, am not convinced that the inquiry is of such a pressing nature as the honorable gentleman indicates.

In explanation, Mr. Higgins stated that matters had come to his knowledge with regard to the asylum which he did not feel it proper to lay before the house, but which would be established before such a committee as he had suggested. If the government opposed the resolution on the score of unconstitutionality—Hon. Mr. Henderson—No, that is not the case. It seems to me that the honorable gentleman has not

Mr. Higgins—Members on the government side are well aware of what

Mr. Henderson—Are aware that there are conditions existing at the asylun which call for an immediate commission

us some information—
Mr. Higgins—Not for publication:
privately I shall be glad to.
In order that some better understanding of the case might be arrived at, the
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Mr. Prentice, as the question was disposed of for the time being, casually inquired when it had been supposed that the committee could go to Westminster.

"On some Satuday morning," was Mr. Higgins' reply.

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On the motion of Mr. Higgins and Capt. Irving a return was ordered of all correspondence respecting the exclusion of allens from the placer mines of Allin, and also all correspondence between the government of British Colum-

United States, or any other government, or any official thereof, relative to the enforcement of the law excluding aliens from the placer mines of Atlin.

MINOR MEASURES ADVANCED. MINOR MEASURES ADVANCED.

The bill amending the Jurors' Act, which had been re-introduced by message, was considered in committee, presented to the house, and received its first reading—being set for second reading on Monday. The Municipalities Act Amendment Act passed its third reading; and the reports were adopted on the Farmers' Institutes and County Courts bills, the third reading of each being set for Monday. The Notaries bill also went through its third reading stage, and the Evidence Bill was sent into committee with Mr. Kidd again in the chair.

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In the committee the following amendments were introduced at the motion of Mr. McPhillips:

"No husband shall be compelled to disclose any communication made by his wife during the marriage, and no wife shall be compeliable to disclose any communication made to her by her husband during the marriage. (R.S.C. 1897, c. 61, s. 8.) (See chapter 73, Rev. Stats. Ont. 1897.)

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"In any action or proceeding by or against the heirs, executors, or administrators of a deceased person, an opposite or interested person to the action shall not obtain a verdict, judgment, or decision therein, on his own evidence, in respect of any matter occurring before the death of the deceased person, unless such evidence is corroborated by some other material evidence. (R.S.C., 1877, c. 61, s. 10.) (Chap. 73, Rev. Stats. Ont., 1897.)

1897.) (Chap. 13, Act. 1862.) Only "Notwithstanding any statute or law to the contrary the parties to any action, suit, petition or other matter of a civil nature in any of the courts of the province, and their wives shall, except as hereinafter expected, be competent as witnesses, and compellable to attend and give evidence in like manner as they would be if not parties to the proceedings, or wives of parties. Provided always, that no plaintiff in any action for breach of promise of marriage shall recover a verdict unless his or her testimony shall be corroborated by some other material evidence in support of such promise. (1894, c. 13, s. 22.) "In any action or proceeding by or against the heirs, executors, administrators, or assigns of a deceased person, an opposite or interested party to the action sshall obtain a verdict judgment, or decision therein, on his own evidence, in respect of any matter occurring before the death of the deceased person unless such evidence is corroborated by some other material evidence.
"On any action or proceeding by or against a person found by inquisition to be of unsound mind, or being an innate of a lunatic asylum, an opposite or interested party shall not obtain a verdict, judgment or decision therein, on his own evidence, unless such evidence is corroborated by some other material evidence."

The committee rose, reporting progress. 1897.)
"Notwithstanding any statute or law to

LIABILITY OF TRUSTEES.

The bill to limit the liability of trustees was considered in committee, a progress report being presented; and Mr. Helme ken withdrew his bill of similar tenor that had stood upon the order paper. A QUESTION ANSWERED.

Mr. Higgins asked the Finance Minis

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"1. What was the total amount of revenue derived from the stumpage tax in
the district of East and West Kootenay
from the 1st day of August, 1898, to the
31st day of December, 1899;

"2. From whom the revenue so paid
was derived?

"3. What steps, if any, have been taken to ascertain if the crown lands conveyed to railway companies throughout
the province are in excess of the acreage
proposed to be conveyed by acts of this
house?"

house?"

Hon. Mr. Cotton replied to the first question, "30,615,14." A list of some 220 names was submitted in answer to the second question; while as to the third, the minister said there had been none, of facts having come to the knowledge of the government that would lead to the supposition that any such excess as alleged exists in fact.

COAL MINES REGULATION.

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When the motion for the second reading of the bill to amend the Coal Mines Regulation. Act was called, Messrs Prentice and Wells asked that it be the coal was compared to the stand over. The former total that there were several very important amendments to be considered, while Mr. Wells remarked that he would like to have the report of the reportant amendments to be considered; while Mr. Wells remarked that he would like to have the report of the recent arbitration before the house preparatory to going on with the bill. There were also, he declared, certain matters leading up to the introduction of the bill that he would like to look into.

The second reading was accordingly deferred.

which call for an immediate commission of inquiry?

If Mr. Higgins—Yes, I do say so.
Hon. Mr. Henderson—Well, I can only speak for myself; but I do not in this side of the house—perhaps outside the Premier, in whose department the asylum than, I do, and I am certainly not aware of anything wrong—

Mr. Higgins—I can tell you about it. Hon. Mr. Henderson—No report has ever been made to me by anyone as to there being any laxity there, or any abuse of any patient by the attendants, I am therefore at a loss to understand the motion. Perhaps the honorable junior member for Esquimalt might give us some information—

Mr. Higgins—Not for publication:

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Mr. Higgins—Not for publication: amend section 20. At present there was a good-deal of work in the registry office at Victoria. The registrar there was the registrar for joint stock companies, and it was necessary for his certificate of incorporation to state where the registered office of the company was to be situated. That was done away with by the amendment. It was also necessary that the certificate should contain at length the objects of the company. The result was "that a great many certificates were waiting now to be issued, and it was extremely difficult and sometimes impossible to keep up with the issuing. It was proposed to amend section 20 so that the proposed objects of the company should not require to be set out in the certificate, but should be published in the British Columbia Gazette. Then section 22 of the act was to be amended. That section provided for the alteration of the memoranslum of association, but no provision was made for the publication of the alteration. Section 5 of the bill made it necessary to publish any such amendments in the British Columbia Gazette. That was reasonable and in the interests of the public. Clause 6 of the bill set out the powers of non-personal liability companies. The other sections were of trivial importance.

The second reading of the bill was agreed to.

WEST KOOTENAY BISHOPRIC.

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PROPOSED B. C. SCOUTS. PROPOSEI B. C. SCOUTS.

Mr. Ellison asked the Premier if there had been anything further heard from Ottawa in respect to the proffered British Columbia contingent of scouts. The people of his district were very anxious to know.

Hon. Mr. Semlin said there had been nothing new from Ottawa since the telegram. he had read to the house as coming from Sir Wilfrid Laurier. The

government had been very much disappointed in not hearing, and yesterday had telegraphed Sir Wilfrid again; but so far no reply had come to hand. There was a good deal of anxiety in the country because of this uncertainty, those anxious to volunteer being divided as to whether they should seek to join the Strathcona Mounted Horse or wait till definite news was received as to the British Columbia contingent. It was very desirable that the government should be in a position to satisfy the country, but so far there was nothing conclusive from Ottawa.

Hon. Mr. Turner suggested that a message should be brought down from His Honor, allowing the government to set aside a certain sum for the purpose of forming a contingent. That would be an earnest to the Dominion authorities that this province was prepared to go ahead.

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Hon. Mr. Semlin did not think the Dominion government was in any manner ignorant of the desire of British (Columbia in this matter. He recapitulated what had been done, and said he thought the whole trouble on the part of the Dominion lay in its inability to secure transportation. Until they knew that the Dominion was going to accept the contingent it would be highly undesirable to make the people think the offer had been accepted. If the Dominion government was prepared to accept a regiment of seouts, this province was prepared to take all the responsibility. (Cheers). He did not think Mr. Turner's suggestion should be taken up. As soon as the Dominion accepted the offer there would be no difficulty at all in carrying out British Columbia's part of the programme. (Cheers).

The house rose at 3:35 p. m.

NOTES OF THE GALLERY.

Deputations Interview the Government-To Regulate the Hair-Cut

A deputation of the British Columbia Industrial Association, headed by Messrs. T. J. Trapp, Major, Kenry, J. C. Brown, Judge Bole, E. A. Mailings and D. R. Ker, introduced by the Speaker, Messrs. McBride, Price Ellison and Helmeken, waited on the Premier yesterday, asking that the government should favorably consider the proposition to devote \$6,000 for the Agricultural Show at New Westminster, urging that it had now become of a provincial character and of greater importance than in the past. The premier Promised that the government would give the matter its best consideration.

Here are three questions to be pro-ounded at the Monday sitting of the

"By Mr. A. W. Smith: Why was it house:

"By Mr. A. W. Smith: Why was it necessary to pass an order in council prohibiting mining recorders from performing the duties conferred on them by section 6 of the Placer Mining Act Amendment Act of 1899, and section S of the Mineral Act of the same year? Was the order in council passed by authority of section 150, Placer Mining Act, and section 143, Mineral Act? Has the order in council been laid before the legislative assembly as required by the Placer Mining Act and the Mineral Act?

"By Mr. Higgins—Is the Attorney-General aware that the salaries paid each member of the British Columbia judiciary is one thousand dollars per annum less than the salaries paid the Ontario and Quebec judiciary? If he is so aware, whether it is his intention to call the attention of the Dominion government to the anomaly, and request that the salaries of British Columbia judges be raised to a level with that of the provinces of Ontario and Quebec?

"By Mr. Turner: Has anyone been appointed to fill the position, or any of the positions, lately occupied by William Stephenson? If so, who has been appointed?"

Mr. Kellie, the Revelstoke statesman Mr. Kellie, the Revelstoke statesman, who is not altogether original, has given notice of a bill which promises to afford some diversion. It is intituled "An Act to regulate the length of hair that may be worn by employees in metalliferous and other mines." Mr. Kellie believes he has at last discovered an effective way to legislate against the Chinaman while avoiding technical discrimination.

Mr. McPhillips is moving, next Tuesday, for all correspondence between the provincial government, or any member thereof, or any person or persons whatsoever, relative to requests for refund of moneys paid to renew free miner's certificates which were thought to be affected by the passage of the "Mineral Act Amendment Act, 1899." and the "Placer Mining Act Amendment Act, 1899."

At the Monday sitting of the house Mr. McBride will move for a return of all correspondence between His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and the Executive Council of British Columbia, or any member or members thereof, with reference to the Bennett Lake and Atlin mining divisions, and the administration thereof.

Small Debts court.

A delegation from Princeton, consisting of Messrs, A. E. Howse and James Anderson, arrived in the city last evening, and to-day will lay before the government a petition from 200 odd residents of the Similkameen, asking for the completion of the wagon road from Princeton to Keremeos.

Mr. Helmcken proposes to add as a new section at the further consideration of the Trustees Act in committee: This section shall come into operation at the passage of the act.

His Honor Judge Bole and Mr. J. C. Brown (whom Attorney-General Henderson defeated at the last general election) were guests in the house yesterday.

The railway committee meets on Monday to deal with the incorporation bills for the Chileat Pass Railway and Tramway, and the Taku and Atlin Railway and Tramway.

The bill to revise and consolidate the Vancouver City Incorporation Act is to be taken up by the private bills committee on Wednesday morning. A special meeting of the private bills committee is listed for Monday at 10

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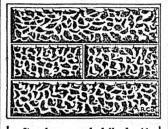
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By Julian Ralph in London Daily Mail

who heard it bow his head or prostrate his body.

Men so shrewd and instinctively soldiery as the Boers must have known that this more elevated position, with the river in front of it as a mont, was superior to the one they selected.

A story which many Boer prisoners have told us tends to explain why the lower ground was chosen-though it is a tale which can be credited only by those of us who are accustomed to the extraordinary phases and conditions of this strangest of modern wars.

The story is that a large proportion of the Free State Boers were so averse to fighting in the first place, and so shaken by our incessant and accurate artillery fire, that they were only kept in the trenches at the point of revoivers held over them by their leaders, who swore to shoot any man who tried to desert.

This story was told us by many pris-

olaces. If it is true, it may well be that there was a serious purpose in choosing the ower ground for the Boer position, because thus the river, where it is deepst and impossible to ford, was immeiately at their backs.

diately at their backs.

After I had seen no more of the field than their three-mile line of trenches, I could not understand how we had been able to dislodge them or why they had at last left the field to us. Their position seemed superb—impregnable. But yesterday a search for the place from which the putt-putt gun was fired led me to the island overlooking the river and the trenches. Then I saw plainly why and how we had gained the victory. Beyond the British infantry lines, where our Guards' Brigade were so crucily forced to lie for more than eight hours under a driving rain of lead from an enemy they could never see, we eight hours under a driving rain of lead from an enemy they could never see, we worked three Royal Artillers batteries. These were the 1th and 75th, which fried all day long, and the 62nd, which came twenty miles to our aid, and got into action at half-past four in the after-noon with horses so fagged that the men had been obliged to walk the last few miles.

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These batteries played on the trenches and on the island, which two points are so close that both were damaged alike. The shells which scattered their shrappel upon the men in the trenches carried their heavy metal cases over on the island. Much of the shrappel was also carried there. The result, as it is to be seen to-day, is a scene of surface devastation almost baffling description. In a space of a mile in length and a quarter of a mile in width there is scarcely a square yard that is not torn up, perforated, riddled, ploughed, and raked. Shrappel bullets, shell cases, fuses, and bits of metal lie all over the place. Incredible as it sounds, there now lie on that ground two rusty old tins—one a smill "bully-bee?" tin and the other a biscuit tin. Both of these are riddled with shrappel and shot.

In that scene lies the explanation of the flight of the Beeys. In that scene

In that scene lies the explanation of the flight of the Boers. In that scene one finds some confirmation of the story that the Boers had to be kept to their work at the point of the revolver.

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A common reliance of the Beer was upon gin. Empty gin bottles, bottles still containing gin, and one full bottle of that liquor was to be seen stuck in the loose dirt of the trenches. In every trench was surprising debris of shell cartridges of many sorts—Mausers. Martini-Henrys, and two or three sort of expanding and explosive bullets. The island seems to have been where the sharp-hooters were placed—on the ground, behind trenches, and in the trees. We understand from the prisoners that these were always stationed in couples, and that the orders were that whenever one was killed or wounded his companion was to bury or carry him off the field. I have told in a previous letter and in my despatches how continually we have found the bodies of the Boer dead in the river, buried in the sand with fingers or boots protruding, heaped in a trench, and elsewhere.

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Modder River, Dec. 6.—The more one sees of Modder River battlefield, and the more one considers the battle, the more terrible it is seen to have been.

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the more one considers the battle, and the more terrible it is seen to have been. Some phases of the battle and some of the tales we hear of the part the Boers played in it make it certain that there never was a battle like it.

At first we were impressed by his sagacity shown by the Boer leaders in entrenching their men where they did, at the top and back of a vast smooth inclined plane, every inch of which was visible to these hidden men.

But by remaining here long enough to go thoroughly over the field we have learned that an even stronger and in all ways better position could have been made for most of them just behind the one they choose and on the island in the river.

The land between the two is called an island, and this land continues the upward slope of the veldt, so that it is higher and more commanding, and better yet for Boer purposes, it is luxuriant with trees and bushes.

Here, in fact, the Boers did put their sharpshooters, and here they manipultaed their deadly "Putt-putt" gun, as our army has nick-named the Vickers-Maxim quick-fier, which commanded such respect as to make every man who heard it bow his-head or prostrate his body.

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and that in the river alone 100 were sunk with weights. For my part, I shall not be surprised if we learn some day that in killed alone if we learn some day that in killed alone if we learn some day that in killed alone if we learn some day that in killed alone if we methods of warfare. You have beared how the burgher comes to battle with two horses, a poor one to carry him to the fight, and the best steed he has to be kept fresh until: it is needed to carry him swiftly away. Usually we have seen the Boers run down the far sides of the kopies they have been defending, to find and to mount and ride them away.

At Belmont, when a thousand or more were in full flight, they all suddenly disappeared in a mysterious way.

We found that all had ridden into what they call a "sluit," which is broad and they call a "sluit, which is broad and they call a "sluit," which is broad and they call a "sluit, which is broad and they call a "sluit," which is broad and they call a "sluit, which is broad and they call a "sluit, which is broad and they call a "sluit," which is broad and they call a "sluit a sluit a sluit and they alone they call a sluit a

an extraordinary discharge of ammunition.

The four naval guns fired, I believe, 514 rounds, the 18th Battery fired 1,100 rounds, the 75th fired 900 rounds, the 62nd 500, or 3,000 rounds inall. The reports of the rifle fire are not yet made out, but most of our men took into the fight 150 to 160 rounds, and I believe the average fire per rifle by nine battallions must have been 100 rounds. The climax of the Boers' desire to vacante the field was reached when a stalwart British cheer broke upon the ears by their side and in their rear.

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and in their rear.

There should not be any confusion as to what men raised this cheer, and were the first to ford the river; but but there is. It is due to the fact that men of several ambitious commands composed the first body of forders.

To put history right, the credit of first crossing the river belongs to a small party of Coldstream Guardsmen, who carly in the day waded in to their waists and then swam, laden with all their gear and 160 rounds of ammunition. There were between twenty-four and forty men in this body, and though many got across, two were nearly drowned, and all saw two were nearly drowned, and all saw it to be wise to return. The river was too deep, and when they reached the further shore they sank in mud to their knees.

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This happened on the extreme right of the line, where Lord Methuen made his first gallant attempt to cross.

He tried again on the far left, and it was there that, beyond any doubt or dispute, Col. Barter, of the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry, got across by a fairly good fording place with a score or two dozen men, some of whom were his own, while others were men of the Argyll and Sutherland and the North Lancashire Regiments. They crossed against some trenches and an angle of stone wall which were held by some 300 Boers.

Just as they were crossing, a battery of Royal Artillery rolled up in the rear of our men and before its men had time to unlimber all the Boers fied, jostling and even knocking each other down, to get upon their liorses. In time our force across the river numbered 400, and Brigadier-General Pole-Carew took command. Our own shells and our own rifle fire beat upon this little band, and it halted and cheered to disclose its nationally.

That is the truth of a heroic move-

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When I searched the island yeserday I found profuse proofs of other burials besides these—of new dead, not included in any estimate. There I found of our lyddite shells—of which, likewise,

we have not yet made any use; but at this battle Gen. Cronje, who watched the fight all day, supposed our naval guns were firing lyddite, and said to his staff, "I've been watching that stuff all day, and I don't think much of it.".

One word as to that phase of their warfare which must be touched upon, in justice, in every account we correspondents write of it. With my own eyes, being upon the scene, I saw the putt-putt gun and the fire of the sharpshocters trained upon our stretcher-bearers on innumerable occasions—in fact, whenever they rose to their feet (on the right of the line) and attempted to perform their work.

FILLING THE WATTER-BOTTLES

Modder River, Dec. 8.—We know what ighting is, but we have also learned a

When we were over-civilized and lived in London we made poor jokes at the expense of water, saying that it gave laundresses a living, that it was invented to float Noah's "greatest Zoo on earth," and other such puerilities.

We never joke about water now. The first time we really appreciated it we were starting out from Orange river. The previous night had been so cold that I spent it in walking all over several camps between the prostrate bodies of restless, shivering soldiers. Some made no pretence of sleeping, but divided their time between gathering sticks and building little fires to huddle around while they lasted.

In time that agony was over, and we were marching and watching the day break. In breaking it seemed to rend the earth's blanket of atmosphere and let the sun's heat out upon us as if we were say

nany thousand stokers in the broiling

sum's near out upon us as it we were so many thousand stokers in the broiling belly of a ship.

On and on we marched, in heavy sand, or over stones, or stumbling across furrowed ground—all gasping like fishes thrown on a beach.

At first our lips dried and cracked, then our mouths parched, and finally our throats became as if they were coated with plaster of Paris. The hair shrivelled on our hands, and our feet grew dry as devilled bones. Here and there a man fell forward on his hands and knees, or stumbled out of the ranks and lurched prone on the veldt.

In the course of the march some skimpy, light-green trees broke the line of the horizon ahead, and put new heart in us, for it was to those trees—at a place called "Frencham's"—that we were to march.

Everything has its ending, and at last

to march. Everything has its ending, and at last we came to the first of the three clumps of these trees. They were poplars, and at their feet, darkening under their foliage, was a mud-banked pool of dirty water, which tailed off to the northward in a tiny stagnant-looking brooklet. Men with horses who-had been nhead, were

tank.

Every man filled his bottle, empression of the down his throat and filled it again.

A water-mania, a thirst-madness, was upon the army. We paddled in spilled water, and the sounds it made in pouring, and a splashing were as delicate water, and the sounds it made in pouring, gaurgling and splashing were as delicate music to all our ears. The colonel and I found some two-quart tin canteens—one of which afterwards caught the sun on Modder River battlefield, and directed the enemy's fire upon me until I put it under me and hid it. We filled these cauteens, and took long drinks out of them; and then we found a bar-room

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with German lager in bottles, and bought all there was—but that is a digression. We stayed a day or so, and then, one blistering afternoon, our column—a many-thousand-legged centipede—streamed along the thirsty, heat-refracting veldt again for Belmont.

After nightfall, in an amazing, hopeless tangle of men and horses and wagons, we squeezed our mass between two kopjes, and were nearly two hours in getting ourselves together, in boiling some tea, and in stretching ourselves on the now cold earth to court a little sleep.

Men and carts kept moving ahead and coming back with water—where from most of us did not know. But the precious fluid was plentiful. We drank till our waistbands cut into us, and then we fell asleep.

In the chilly night, with a cup of hot cocoa to buck us up, we crept out into the faint moonlight shadows of some hills, and by daybreak began to fight the awful battle of Belmont. I was late in returning to camp, for it is my custom to go all over the battlefield after a fight. But when I did return what a sight met my eyes!

Only a Persian poet could do justice

to go all over the battlefield after a fight. But when I did return what a sight met my eyes!

Only a Persian poet could do justice to jit. It was like the celestial imaginings of a pious Mussulman. At the head of the glen where we had camped was an aosis of green trees toe-deep in the edges of a pond. Near by was a stone tank full of crystal water, and beside it our people had constructed a tank of white canvans, in which the same pure liquid shone like melted diamonds touched with emerald shadows by some sprays of foliage above. Lines of men stood beside the tanks dipping in their bottles, a line at a time. Other men in scores sat in the shade beside the water. Under the trees, in the invigorating coolness of their shade, the bullet-riddled, shell-mangled wounded were laid in rows upon stretchers, with the doctors and attendants ministering to them. Meanwhile to the great pool come the horses and mules, sucking up gallons of water each, and wading in deeper and deeper as they sucked.

I wonder if you see the picture—the facered and dusty soldiers, the spent

I wonder if you see the picture—the fagged and dusty soldiers, the spent horses, the clouds of red powdery dust choking us all; the hot, bare yeldt

fagged and dusty soldiers, the spent horses, the clouds of red powdery dust choking us all; the hot, bare veldt reaching away for ever in all directions, the horizon trembling and dancing before us by reason of the movement of the heated air; finally tre bare, naked African sun, blazing down at us as the Boers had been doing earlier in the day.

We marched to Gaspan with our water-bottles and each regimental water-cart filled, but the Tommies made away with their shares quickly, as Tommy does with the food and drink that's given him to keep him going for a day or more. They fought the battle with parched throats, and then discovered that there was only one little well to supply us all with more. Around that well hundreds gathered, and when the buckets were being emptied into the carts the soldiers dipped up the wastage with their tins.

For myself, I got a cup of boiling water from a locomotive engine, and sat down to wait until I could drink it without being scalded. Ah, how precious water is out here! Sometimes I think I can remember men with hosepipes drenching Fleet street and the Strand with water in the dead of night. But I can't believe my own memory. It does not seem possible that water was ever thrown about like that.

We camped beside a muddy, grassy pond on the way to Modder River, and again we revelled in water. We actually washed our bodies and changed our clothing, and felt more or less like "just men made perfect."

On the next afternoon, in the heat of a fearful battle, I asked an officer who guarded a water wagon of the Coldstream Guards to let me fill my bottle. "We have not enough for our own men," said he. "You may have all you want."

I gave what I had," said I, turning away.

"Please come back and fill your bottle," said he; "you may have all you want."

Twenty minutes later more wounded men crawling to the rear began again to cross my path and beg for water.

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For the Canadian Pacific Navigation Company, Limited, and for William T. L. Mouat, A. C. Mouat, Helen G. Jones, the owners of Lot 800A.

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By order.

By order.

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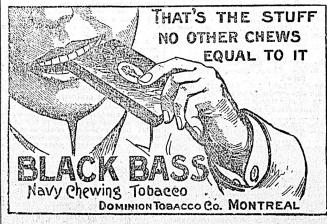
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SYNOPSIS.

Meteorological Office,
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nally high barometric pressure still
forthern British Columbia, Alberta nd southward to Utah, while off California southward to Utah, while off California comparatively low. Our weather is 7 to remain fair and cool. A proced cold wave is spreading southeast-across the Territories, where the cerature will probably fail to 20 or 30 very pacific Slope, and sharp frosts have a extended southward to California. TEMPERATURES.

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Victoria	34	43
New Wsetminster	28	42
Kamloops		
Barkerville	6	24
Calgary	8	18
Winnipeg		20
Portland, Ore		48
San Francisco	46	56

FORECASTS.

Vicinity-Moderate winds Lower Mainland-Moderate winds; contin

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Reports for 24 hours ending 5 p.m. Observations taken daily at 5 a.m., noon and 5 p.m.

PRIDAY, Jan. 26.

Deg. Deg. 38

Noon. 34 Mean. 38

Noon. 40 Highest 34

5 p.m. 41 Lowest 34

The velocity and direction of the wind ere as follows:

5 a.m. 5 5 a.m.... 5 miles north.

Average state of weather-Fair. -6 hours 30 minutes. Barometer at noon-Observed......30.216 Corrected......30,235

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THE BURNS CONCERT.

Successful Musicale at the First Presbyterian Church Last Evening.

auspices of the First Presbyterian Church choir, held in the church hall, Blanchard street, last evening, was in every way a success, the hall being crowded to the doors with those who delight in the "Auld Scotch Sangs." The programme, replete with excellent numbers, all of which most expressed in the programme.

PART II.

Male quartette—'Kate Dalrymple''...

Messrs. Watson, Kinnaird, Wilson and Brown.

Song—'The Land o' the Leal . Miss Armson Violin solo—'Scottish Airs'' . Mr. J. Brooks Song—'Caller Herrin''... . Miss Fraser ltectation (humorous)—'The Hotel Bed''

Rectard of the Mr. Wilson Baker Song—'Annie Laurie''... Miss Baker Song—'The Hale rick-ma-tick''...

Chorus—"Edinburgh Cries" Choir "Edinburgh Cries"
"Auld Lang Syne."
"God Save the Queen."

Chief credit for the success of the affair is due to the conductor, Mr. J. G. Brown, who worked indefatigably in the interest of the concert. The accompaniments were most pleasantly rendered by Mrs. Hall.

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School Report For Last Year

Interesting Information Given by Trustees and the City Superintendant.

Explanation of the Need of a New Building for the High School.

The annual report of the board of school trustees just published contains consider able interesting information. The repor

says:
"The total expenditure of the year was \$49,219.82, an increase over that of the previous year of \$3,592.38. Several circumstances contributed to this result. The difficulty in 1898 between the board and and the city council over the appropriation or that year to an amount very much less than ought to have been expended, thus throwing upon the administration of 1900 a burden that properly belonged to the previous year. Three additional teachers had to be appointed during the year to meet the requirements of the steadily increasing school population; and some advances in salaries were considered necessary in order to more nearly equalize them with those

parts of the province REPAIRS AND ALTERATIONS.

"In addition to the petty expenditures under this head which are continually nenecessary, the condition of four of the school buildings demanded the outlay of considerable sums in effecting permanent and substantial improvements." (The details of these improvements are then given.) SCHOOL ACCOMMODATION

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"The crowded condition of the South Park school made it necessary to re-open the Kingston street building and at once occupy two of its class-rooms; the remaining room is ready for occupancy as soon as the expansion of the school population in the James Bay district shall require it. The building at Victoria West has but five class-rooms, and one of these is too small for the accommodation of a division of average size. For two years the primary (sixth) division has been conducted in the Mission House, rented for that purpose.

(sixth) division has been conducted in the Mission House, rented for that purpose. The inadequacy of the present building for the requirements of this district, and the serious unsuitability of its location seem to call for the erection at an early date of a more commodious building on a more de-

All the regular class-rooms of the Ward and Hillside buildings are now regular class-rooms of the North Ward and Hilliside buildings are now occupied, and in addition one division of the former school is conducted in a very unsuitable extemporized class-room in the third storey. To properly accommodate that division, and to provide against the steady increase of the school population of this district, the Rock Bay building with its two class-rooms should be immediately put in thorough repair.

All available class-rooms in the Central School district are now occupied—four in the Spring Ridge school, eight in the Girsi school, eight in the Bris school. The number of pupils in this part of the city is increasing steadily, and

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REFORMS EFFECTED.

During the year the board published a set of regulations governing its own proceedings, and defining its policy in regard to various matters of administration. These regulations embody a number of changes of considerable significance;

Teachers' salaries had in the past been regulated according to no well defined prin-

Teachers' salarles hait in the past been regulated according to no well defined principle. In consequence a good deal of haphazard inequality in the relative amounts paid had developed. Under the new rules of the board, teachers of the graded schools are divided into three classes, grammar, intermediate and primary, and a maximum and minimum salary assigned to each class. Between these limits all advances of salary are made to depend entirely upon the teacher's efficiency.

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Recognizing the fact that, other things being equal, a teacher of high scholarship is more desirable than one of inferior attainments, the board now requires that all teachers except those of primary classes shall hold first class certificates, with the proviso that teachers already on the staff with a lower certificate may retain their positions for a limited time at the discretion of the board. There was another important reason for raising the standard. First class certificates are life certificates, while those of lower grades have to be renewed from time to time. It is a serious detriment to the service to have the energies of the teacher divided between the school work and anxious perparation for a certificate examination.

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Hitherto the method of grading the schools consisted in prescribing an arbitrary amount of work for each year or term, and requiring pupils to attain an arbitrary percentage in a final examination on this work, as a condition of promotion. One result of this system was the overcrowding of lower divisions while the numbers in the divisions were relatively

with excellent numbers, all of which most successfully rendered, was as follows:
Bagplpe selections

Messrs, McArthur and McKenzie
Male quartette—"There was a lad was born in Kyle"
Molesses, Watson, Kinnaird, Wilson and Brown.
Wolin solo—"Scottish Airs" Mr. J. Brooks Chorus—"Within a Mile o' Edinburgh Toon"—Scotte Dainties" Mr. J. Grosson Song—"Scotte Dainties" Mr. McKay Song—"The Auld Scotte Sangs"

Miss Wilson and Brown.

Male quartette—"Kate Dairymple"...
Messrs, Watson, Kinnaird, Wilson and Brown.

Song—"The Land o' the Leal Miss Armson Violin solo—"Scottish Airs" Mr. J. Brooks Chorus—"The Land o' the Leal Miss Armson Violin solo—"Scottish Airs" Mr. J. Brooks Chorus—"The Land o' the Leal Miss Armson Violin solo—"Scottish Airs" Mr. J. Brooks Song—"Caller Herrin". Miss Fraser

NEW HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING.

It has been the ambition of the board that the Victoria schools should gain a reputation, not only as the best in British Columbia, but as the equal of any in Canada. The steady improvement achieved during the past two or three years brings that

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Towever, one serious obstacle in the way of its complete attainment; it is this, no city can make any pretensions to excellence in its system of schools if ample provision in not made for secondary as well as elementary education. Everywhere the high school is regarded as an absolute Lecessary part of the system. There is probably not a city on the continent of America of the size, wealth and importance of Victoria that has not a respectable and commodious High school building. Not only is it discreditable to this city that no such building has been provided for the accommodation of its otherwise excellent High school, but the unsuitable quarters in which the latter is now housed will almost immediately be needed for the accommodation of the lower grades of the Central district. The board and the city council of the ensuing year should address themselves earnestly to this problem. The sum of \$25,000 should be voted for the ercommodious class-rooms and modern equipment. The repayment of the lonn necessary for this purpose might be spread over a short term.

repayment of the loan necessary for this purpose might be spread over a short term of years, instead of the amount being added to the permanent debt of the corporation. EDUCATIONAL REFORM URGED. their training in general scholarship. This is a radical defect. The assumption by the government of the responsibility of maintaining a system of popular education seems naturally to Involve the obligation to make the system as efficient as possible, especially in respect to the qualifications of the teachers; else proper value is not given to the public for the large expenditure involved.

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Profoundly impressed with this view, the board some months ago waited on the Minister of Education and urged upon him the necessity of a revision of the regulations regarding High schools and teachers' certificates. In order to put the matter before him in a concrete form the following suggested changes were submitted:

1. The curriculum of all High schools to comprise two consecutive courses, junior and senior.

courses to be essentially provided, however, for ele

cassical, provided, however, for elementary classics as options.

3. Junior course certificates to be awarded by the council of public instruction to all students who satisfactorily complete the junior course.

4. The senior course to be open only to those who hold junior course certificates.

5. Senior course certificates to be awarded to students who complete the senio course.

6. In addition to the junior and senion non-classical course, High schools with four or more teachers to provide an essentiall classical course open to students who have passived examination on the junior and serior courses and the classical options.

or courses and the classical options.
7. Classical certificates to be awarded on completion of the classical course.
8. All candidates for teachers' certificates.

o. An cammances for teachers' certificates, except university graduates, to be required to hold High school certificates. No further scholarship tests to be necessary.

9. Holders of junior course certificates to be considered as having satisfied the scholarchip requirements for second-class teachers' certificates.

10. Holders of senior course certificates to

certificates.
11. Only university graduates to be eligible for certificates as regular High schoo

teachers.

12. A course of professional training extending over, say, fifteen weeks, to be given every year in Victoria, Vancouver and Nelson (or Rossland) by a specially qualified instructor appointed for that purpose.

13. This course of training consisting of pedagogical instruction, together with observation and practice in the public schools, to be open to those who hold High school certificates.

certificates,

14. No one to be qualified as a public school teacher who has not had professional training equivalent to that to be provided for as above.

SCHOOL FOR DEAF MUTES.

At the interview with the Minister of ducation referred to above, the importance of establishing a provincial school for deaf mutes was also urged upon him. It was pointed out that the whole appropriation in behalf of this unfortunate class of children is expended on some four or five pupils who are sent out of the province for their education, while all the rest are left with-

MANUAL TRAINING.

It is a matter of congratulation that, under the provisions of the McDonaid Sloyd Fund, Victoria schools are likely to have the advantage of manual training for three years without cost to the city. The interduction roduction of this most important and prac-From the foregoing outline

From the foregoing outline of the past year's administration, it will be apparent, I think, that your trustees have discharged their duties in no perfunctory spirit. They have addressed themselves earnestly to the task of increasing in every way the efficiency of the schools, and I am confident that in no previous year has more been accomplished in this respect. In this connection it is incumbent on me to say that the experience of the past year has fully

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Yours faithfully, R. B. McMICKING, Chairman Victoria City School Board In his report the City Superintenden

PROGRESSIVENESS OF TEACHERS.

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In a very real and literal sense "the teacher is the school"—conditions of housing and equipment, of text-books and courses of study, are of secondary importance compared with the character, culture, professional knowledge and administrative skill of the teacher. A good teacher will do good work under any circumstances. A poor teacher will do inferior work under any circumstances. A system of city schools cannot be progressive unless its teachers are progressive. It is therefore very gradifying to me to be able to report that during the past year the teachers generally have manifested a very marked interest in the attainment of higher standards of excellence. Indifference or self-satisfaction in this respect has characterized very few members of the staff. The spirit of the discussion in teachers' meetings, my obsertions the schoolessor when the schoolessor were the sufference in the schoolessor. discussion in teachers' meetings, my observations in the schoolroom, and the uniformly ready response accorded to individual suggestion on matters of method and discipline, all unite to assure me of this hopeful condition of our schools.

PROFESSIONAL AIDS.

There are two means of professional improvement which I should very much like to be made more accessible to our teachers Educational literature and opportunity for visiting other schools. A cons derable number of the teachers not only have no Normal training but he made to the constraint of the contraction. nal training, but have never seen any other

to provide mines.

There is, however, no means of freshing up a teacher's ideas as effective as direct observation of other teachers' work. It would be, I am sure, of very material advantage to many of our teachers to obtain a short leave of absence occasionally and visite the accellent schools of Seattle, Ta-INDIVIDUALITY OF THE TEACHER.

INDIVIDUALITY OF THE TEACHER,
One of the recent regulations of the
board very properly emphasizes the direct
responsibility of each individual teacher for
the methods of instruction and discipline
followed. Where there is responsibility
there must be commensurate freedom of
action. Supremacy within the class-room
is a prerogative of each teacher, and an
essential condition of originality and effective work.

Another of the board's regulations, that
abolishing the "chain-gang" system of promotions, as it has been aptly called, has
also tended very materially towards the
free assertion of the teacher's individuality,
and the substitution of rational teaching

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It has been thought best not to effect any adical modification of the course of study radical modification of the course of study either in the High or graded schools until new regulations of the department in respect to text-books and scholarship standards are announced. It is generally understood that important changes in these matters are in contemplation, as they are very much needed. There is no good reason why we should be obliged to carry on our school enterprises indefinitely under statutory conditions that may have been the best possible a decade or two ago, but are already long since outgrown.

Yours respectfully,

FRANK H. EATON,

City Superintendent.

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SEX AND SALARY.

Sir: Ought men and women teachers be paid alike? This question should be referred to juvenile debating societies for settlement on its merits in the abstract. Meanwhile the practical businesslike way for trustees to deal with it is this: Defor trustees to deal with it is this: Determine what position, if any, should be filled with men; attach such salaries thereto as will command the services of men qualified to fill them, and appoint men and not women to those position. As to all other positions, if it is indifferent whether men or women occupy them, or if women are preferable, the standard of salary should be such as is necessary to command the services of properly qualified women. If that is too low to attract and hold the men, then let the women monopolize the field and the men find a better living elsewhere. the women monopolic men find a better living elsewhere. NO SENTIMENT.

AT THE THEATRES.

Neill Engagement Next Week-Chance to Hear Nevada.

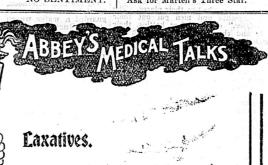
Probably no actor in America has a lore interesting or better selected li-Probably no actor in America has a more interesting or better selected Ilbrary than Mr. James Neil, of the famout Neill Company, that is to be seen in this city next week. In Sol Smith Kussell's play "A Bachelor's Romance," with which the engagement opens, Mr. Neill appears as David Holmes, a literary student and book worm, but in reality that interesting character was no greater a lover of books than is the distinguished actor who impersonated him. Mr. Neill recently purchased from William George's sons, the well known antiquarians of Bristel, England, nearly 200 rare prints to add to his already large collection.

tion.

Among Mr. Neill's collection are some ponderous old folios, the typography of which is little short of wonderful. These appeal with special force to those whom this feature of a book is the sine qua non. He also has some sets of illustrated quarter that are support according to the control of the c tos that are superb examples of the graver's art. Then there are rare of Hume, and Smollet's "H land," 1808, with a numbe land," 1808, with a number of beautiful copper plates; the same in Dove's large type edition, 1822, and bound in mottled calt; Sterne's "Tristram Shandy," 1760, the scarce nine-volume edition with three autographs of the author; Antiquities d'Herculaneum, 2, 1789, a collection of the most remarkable antiquities found at Herculaneum and Pompei, very finely engraved with French text. "The tendency of the book collector nowadays," says Mr. Neill, "unless it be the nouveau riche collector, who buys anything and everything and is not able to discriminate between what is yaluable and what is worthless, is towards specialization. I presume one reason why I take special delight in portraying the role

The most notable figure of the present concert senson is Mme. Emma Nevada, who a month or so ago returned to her native land after an absence of more than a decade in the Buropean capitals. Nevada has just completed a series of concerts at the Metropolitan opera house, in which she repeated her vocal triumphs scored on the occasion of the memorable visit in the days of Mapleson, when she was co-star with Patti and rivalled, though then but a mere child, that famous diva, who was in those days in the zenith of her fame. The New York critics have been unanimous in declaring her incomparable vocalism perfect.

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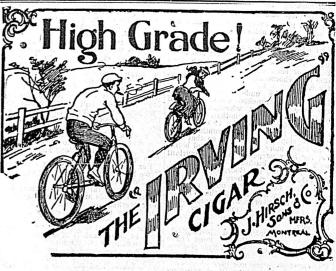
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